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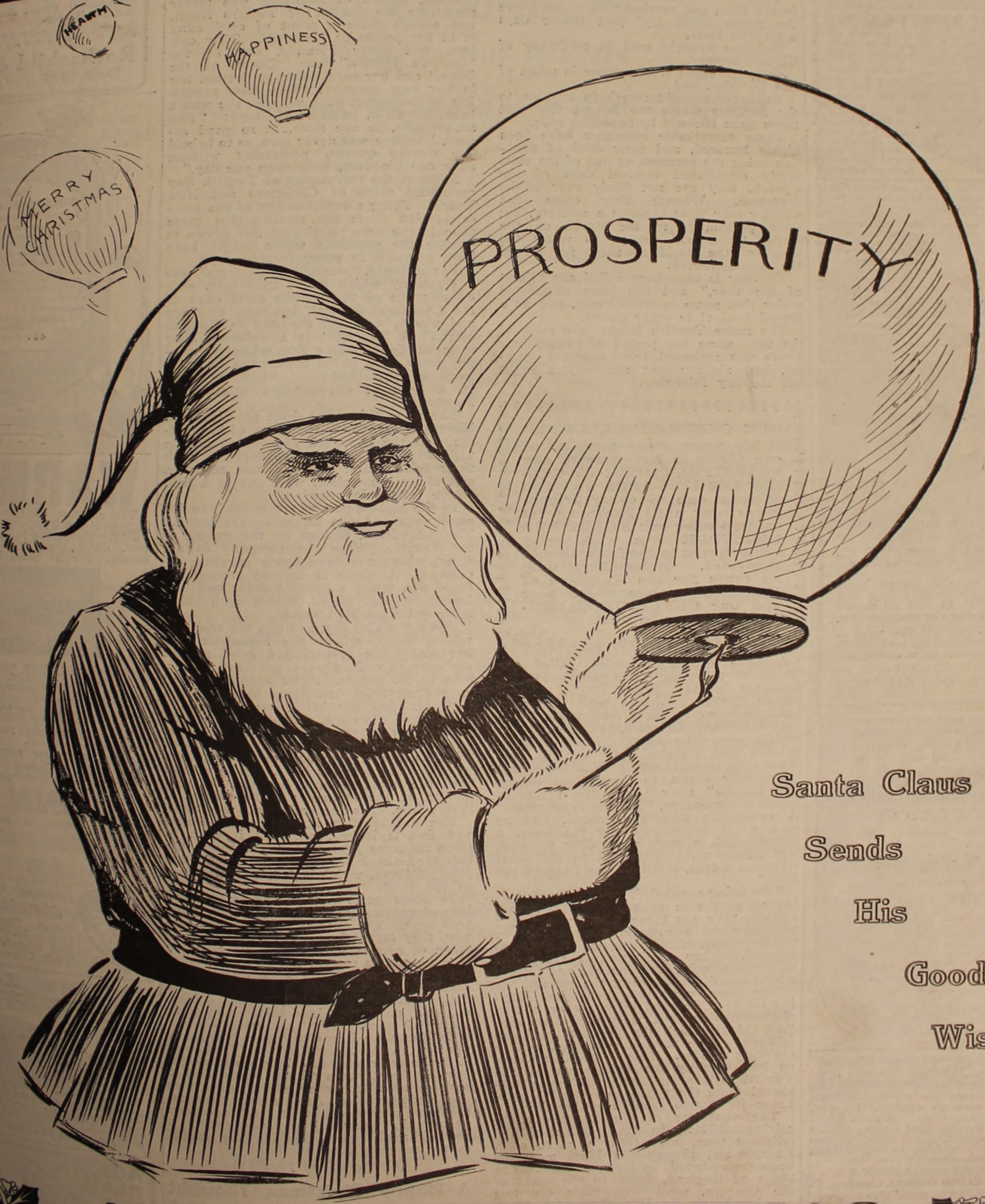

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The Story of the Twelfth Night

> "At His birth a star
> Unseen before in Heaven proclaims him come:
> And guides the Eastern sages, who inquire
> His place, to offer incense, myrrh and gold."

THE climax of that festival season inaugurated on Christmas Eve is reached on Twelfth Day, the sixth of January, which is also the Church feast of the Epiphany.

The chief event commemorated is the visit of the three Magi, or Wise Men of the East, to the infant Saviour. There are other references, as the Baptism of our Lord, and His miraculous power displayed at the marriage of Cana of Galilee, and the feeding of the five thousand, which are said to have occurred on this date. But these points are of minor importance on this day of the "Feast of Three Kings," as it is called in the Latin Church, for, originally, all the ceremonies had particular reference to the visit of "Three Kings," as they came to be called.

The story had been elaborated in its details by the help of tradition and imagination, and these men were considered to have been royal personages, named Melchior, Caspar and Balthasar, descended respectively from Shem, Ham and Japheth, and were the first of the heathen world to do homage to Christ.

They were guided by the blazing Star in the East, and reached "the place where the young Child lay" just twelve days after His birth.

Melchior brought gold in testimony of Christ's royalty.

Caspar brought frankincense in token of His Divinity, and

Balthasar brought myrrh in allusion to the Sorrows which the Divine One had taken upon Himself by becoming man.

These remarkable strangers have been highly honored, and their deed of devotion being the occasion of one of the most firmly established festival days of the Church, they are not likely ever to be forgotten. Whence they came and whither they went remains a mystery, but their pilgrimage to the cradle of the Christ Child was enough to warm the heart of the world to them for all of the ages following.

The day is sometimes called the "Feast of the Star," and has been celebrated under that name in the Church, and as a sacred festival in other places.

The name Twelfth Night is a relic of the time when the period of twenty-four hours was reckoned from sunset to sunset, and night meant not only a night but the day following.

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A little dramatic service called the "Feast of the Star" was acted in the Churches in the Middle Ages. Three priests clothed as kings, with their servants carrying offerings, met from different directions before the altar. The middle one, who came from the East, pointed with his staff to a star. A dialogue then ensued; and after kissing each other they began to sing, "Let us go and inquire" after which the precentor began a responsory, "Let the Magi come." A procession then commenced, and as soon as it began to enter the nave, a crown, with a star, resembling a cross, was lighted up and pointed to the Magi with the words, "Behold the Star of the East."

This being concluded, two priests, standing at each side of the altar, answered meekly, "We are those whom you seek"; and, drawing a curtain, showed them a child, whom, falling down, they worshipped. Then the servants made the offerings of gold, frankincense and myrrh, which are divided among the priests.

The Magi meanwhile continued praying till they dropped asleep; then a boy, clothed like an angel, addressed them with "All things which the prophets said are fulfilled." The festival concluded with a chanting service. This description shows us how slightly the celebration of the Twelfth Night, in medieval times, departed from the purely religious thought. Later it became much more secular.

The character of the Twelfth Night celebration lost, in time, much of the religious tone, and took a more easy, festival air, though the Magi were always remembered, in form, at least. The kings of England, down to the times of the Georges, went with their courtiers to church, on Twelfth Day, with offerings of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

As a popular feast day, Twelfth Day stands second only to Christmas. Being at the end of that holiday-time, "the twelve days of Christmas," it would seem that the people let their spirits loose for a final revel, as if there would never be another play-day as far in the future as they could see. Even then, some seemed unable to determinate their sports, and went on feasting till *Candlemas Day*, which occurs on the second of February.

The one thing peculiar to the Twelfth Night revels in all lands was the choosing of a king of the feast by means of a bean hidden in a cake. This "bean-cake king" is the most distinctive feature of the occasion. Around him the other persons and performances revolve as satellites of lesser glory.

It was a common gambol at the commencement of the eighteenth century, at the English universities and elsewhere, to give the name of king or queen to that person whose luck it was to choose the piece of divided cake which was honored above all others by having a bean in it.

Sometimes a coin was used instead of a bean.

A queen was chosen by the king, or, in some cases, by a "peaze" found in the cake. The host and hostess were often, more by design than by accident, appointed king and queen. These chose other members of the company to be ministers of state, maids of honor or ladies of the bedchamber.

Mary, Queen of Scotland, was rather partial to the festival of Twelfth Night, and always made a point of celebrating it at her palace in Holyrood. They cast lots, and Mary Fleming, one of the "Queen's Maries," was "Queen of the Bean," and her royal mistress dressed her in her own gorgeous robes, and, according to the report of a witness, she was a beautiful sight, indeed. He says: "Two such sights, in one state, in so good accord, I believe was never seen, as to behold two worthy queens, possessing without envy one kingdom, both upon one day."

Some of the ceremonies of Twelfth Day resembled those of Christmas and New Year's. Being a continuation of the same celebration it is not strange that there should have been no distinct line drawn to confine the practices which might have been common to many feasts.

For instance, "wassailing the trees" was a ceremony which might have been seen on any one of these three chief days of the Christmas festival, but was, at times and places, certainly confined to Twelfth Night. A "wassail" is a drinking song sung on Twelfth Day Eve, when the people throw toast to the apple trees, in order to have a fruitful year; which seems to be a relic of the heathen sacrifice to Pomona.

The same thing was done practically in Herefordshire under the name of Wassailing. At the approach of evening on the vigil of Twelfth Day, the farmers, with their friends and servants, met together, and about six o'clock walk out to a field where wheat is growing.

In the highest part of the ground, twelve small fires and one large one are lighted. The attendants, headed by the master of the family, pledge the company in old cider, which circulates freely on these occasions. A circle is formed around the large fire, when a general shout and hallooing takes place, which you hear answered from all around.

After the fires begin to die, the company return home, where the housewife and her maids are preparing a good supper. A large cake is always provided with a hole in the centre. After supper they all go to the wain house, where they fill a cup with ale, and the bailiff stands opposite the first of the oxen, and pledges him in a toast, the company following his example.

The cake is then slipped on the horn of the ox, and then someone tickles him to make him toss his head. If he throws the cake behind him it becomes the perquisite of the mistress; if he throws it before him, it is the bailiff who claims it.

The people then return to the house and find it locked, nor will it open to them till some joyous songs are sung. On being admitted the scene of mirth and jollity follows, which lasts the greater part of the night.

In other parts of England, after they have drunk a cheerful glass to their master's health, and success to the future harvest, they return home and feasts on cake made of caraways, soaked in cider, which they claim as a reward for their past labor in sowing the grain. This resembles a custom of the ancient Danes, who, in their addresses to their rural deities, emptied on every invocation a cup in honor of them.

In Yorkshire it was customary for many families on the *Twelfth Eve of Christmas*, to invite their relations, friends and neighbors to their houses to play cards, and to partake of a supper of which mince pies were indispensable. After supper the wassail-bowl was brought in, and everyone partook by skimming out and eating a roasted apple, then drinking the health of the company from the bowl.

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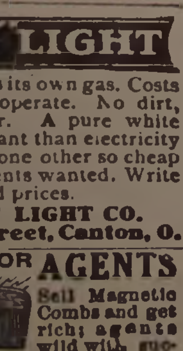

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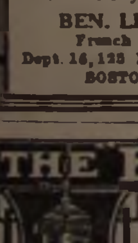

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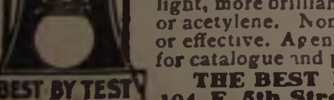

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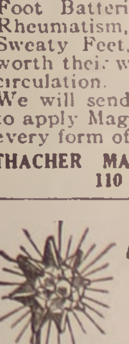

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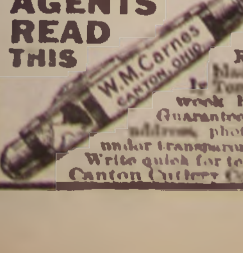

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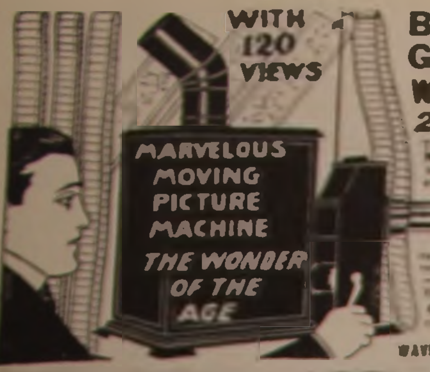

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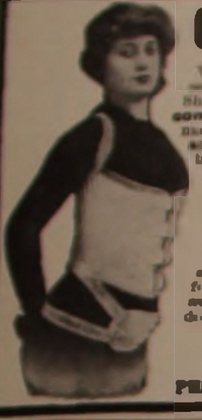

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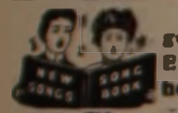

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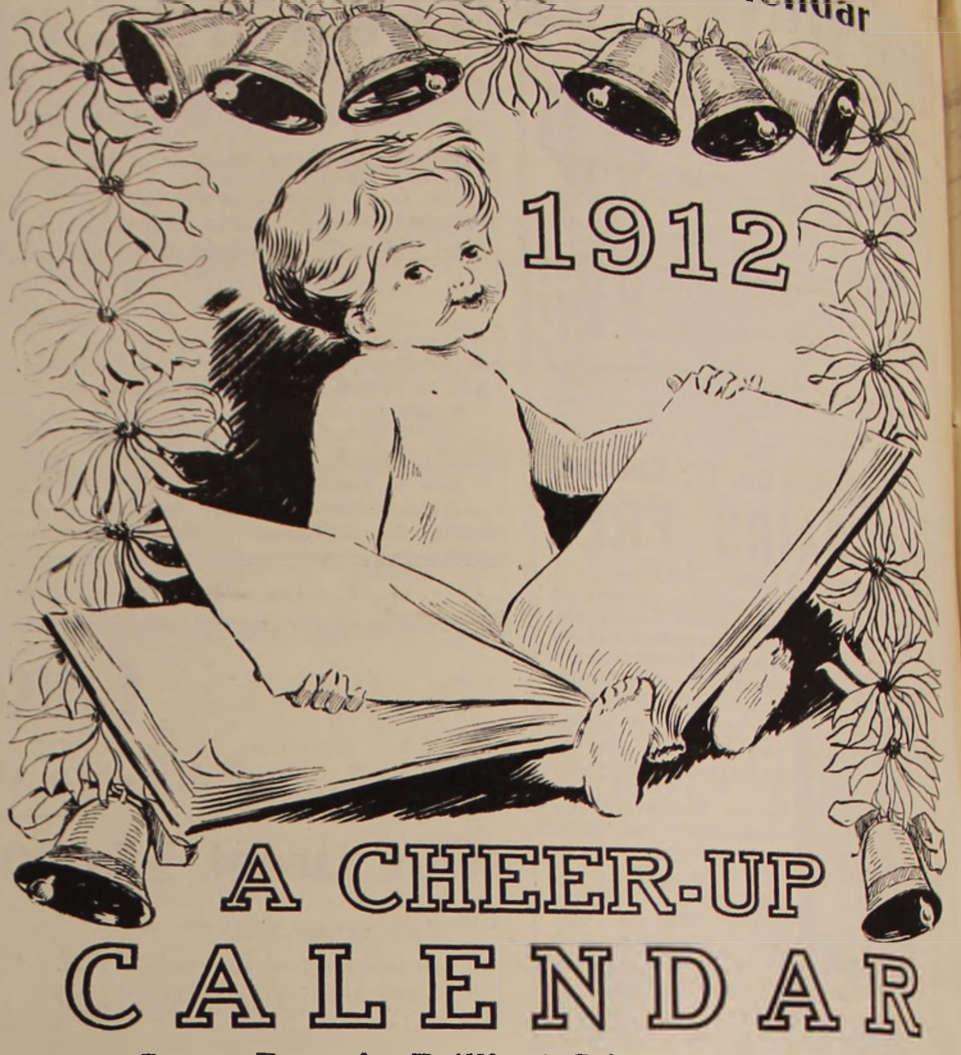

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"He Is Risen"

It was Christmas, lonely and dreary, and I a lonely, weary woman. This was the third of these lonely holidays which had come around to me since the light and joy of my life, my only son, had been taken from me. The place which I had chosen in which to wring out the depths of human woe was lonely and dreary, too. A log cabin in the heart of the woody hills. Pines as dark and sombre as my own life surrounded it. A place chosen, in happier days, by my son and I to while away the summer days and to study nature in her summer moods.

It mattered little now to me. The cold of winter or heat of summer. Only this feeling of severance from all human sympathy in my bereavement seemed easier to bear here in this seclusion so near to nature's heart. The violet banks, the songs of the birds in the trees, the reverberations of the vine, and the sweet odors of spring, nature's healing balm, which unceasing time conveyed to me who was so sorely wounded. I had seen my only son, the treasured darling of a widowed mother's heart, lowered into his grave and buried from my sight, never to return to me. Oh, the finality of death! I was still looking into that grave. My heart and soul buried in its obscurity.

I sat alone by my fireside, forgetting the great big vibrating world beyond, and by it forgotten. "Laugh and the world laughs with you; weep and you weep alone." Words as true as the gospel. The fire burned cheerily as if to try to lift the mantle of gloom which enveloped me. My son's chair was drawn close to mine. I leaned on the arm of it, over which was thrown some of his wearing apparel; by the side of it I had placed his slippers, his desk was standing open near me and I had ordered the lid of his piano to be raised, hoping and wishing to bring his living, loving presence near to me. My mind had traveled back through the flight of time. I stood by another fireplace, which threw its light on lofty ceiling and frescoed walls, and the lover and husband of my youth stood beside me. The picture was reflected back to us in the mirror over the mantel and a tiny stocking hung there, filled to overflowing, with toys dear to the infant's heart grouped near it. It was the first happy Christmas of our boy. From other apartments of our home came the sound of music and merry talk and laughter of friends whom we had gathered around us for the merry Christmas time. We had stolen away, we two, together, to take a look at our darling in his sleep and to [illegible] Santa Claus for the first time. Then my thoughts were coming back through the years which had passed, like so many volumes read and laid away on memory's shelf. I was alone with my [illegible] Grieving for one who had gone down the silent valley. The only alleviation of my grief being the love of my son and the care for his future and his childish words of consolation like these: "Mamma, do not cry. You have me, and I'll soon be a man. I'll take care of you." How well he knew he was the apple of my eye.

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Our Christmas Greeting

IN our mind's eye we see the great circle of OUR MAGAZINE Family, and to you all we send greetings and best wishes for a happy Christmastide. Some of you live in the great cities where the snow is deep and the wind is sharp and cold, but the Christmas joy is in your hearts; some are out in the frozen country where the homes are few and far between, but the light of Christmas shines within, and so, to the North where the cold wind blows, and to the South where the jasmine blooms, to the West where the mountains rise to touch the clouds, to the East where the breakers roar, and even across the broad Atlantic, to Europe, and the Isles of the Sea, to Africa and Australia, our thought speeds fast with the loving message.

We know, not alone from your return thoughts, but from your letters, how much this year's Christmas means to you. Some of you have found a new and deeper meaning in the word, through the help of OUR MAGAZINE. Some of you feel that the day is but the objective counterpart of one in your Soul's experience.

Some write of the deeper yearning than they have ever known to live every day a Christ Day, to realize every day the Christ joy! The very fact that this is the state of many hundreds of Our Family means more to us than any other kind of Christmas with its feasting and song, sweet as they may be. It means much to know that this is one grand result of the efforts of OUR MAGAZINE, and better still, that the good work does not stop with the individual, but goes on and on in ever widening circles of influence.

Why should there be such momentous import in this Christmas of the Soul, which to us seems the real Christmas?

Because Christ in the *life* will finally mean Christ in the *world*. It will mean the *cessation of war* and the *establishment* of Peace. It will mean the coming and the reigning of *the Child whose name shall be called Wonderful...... Counselor...... the Prince of Peace...... upon whose shoulders shall rest the government to which there shall be no end......*

Dear friends of OUR MAGAZINE, friends, and friends of Our friends:

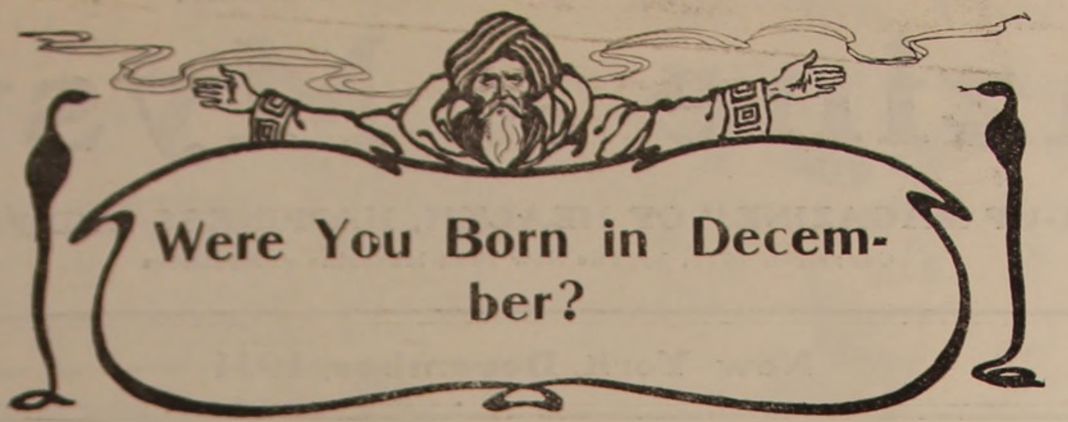
We wish for thee
Light snow-falls in thy heart,
To make its chamber pure and white
For Christmas-tide of love and light
And comradeship so dear.

We wish for thee
The sweetest gift that e'er can come
Within the heart or realm of home—
That rare and never-ending song
Of "Peace on earth, good will to men."

We wish for thee
The holly wreaths and Christmas bells
That symbol what the music tells
Of Christly life that richly swells
The stream of human love.

We wish for thee
A symphony of sweet content,
That like angelic voices blent
May fill thy soul with melody and bend
Thy heart and will toward God.

Advice for the Daughter of Capricorn



Were You Born in December?

Reading for the Son of Capricorn

OUR readers are all interested in Astrology, the most wonderful and oldest of all the Sciences, and in this department I am going to give the readers of Our Magazine an Astrological Reading of the sign of the Zodiac ruling their month. This month it is Capricorn, the tenth sign of the Zodiac which rules all those born between December 22d and January 21st. Were you born between those dates? If so, Capricorn is your ruling sign, and the most powerful of the Planets, Saturn is your ruling Planet. While this Reading of the Sign of Capricorn will doubtless interest those born under other signs, yet I am talking to Capricorn men and women who may read this department the same as if they were in my office and I was giving them a personal Reading from their sign and ruling Planet Saturn. No one can dispute that a knowledge of our own characters and dispositions and those of our friends and associates should go far to make life smoother for all and this knowledge as well as many other interesting and important things about ourselves and prospects may be known through the Science of Astrology. In fact, many will testify that this knowledge about ourselves and friends will, if sincerely followed, lead to success and happiness in business, home and love affairs. What could possibly be of more importance than that a mother should understand the strong and weak points and undeveloped or latent talents of her boy or girl? Astrology can tell all this and much of great and vital importance to the mother besides. Think for a moment of the great value and advantage such knowledge is to the mother! Every child's mother should have a Horoscope cast for her children without fail and use this precious knowledge to guide the childish footsteps along the pathway which will lead the child to the Great Goal of Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

Think for a moment of the many failures to-day who could have been happy and successful had their parents only taken the trouble to get an Astrological Reading for them when they were children! The same applies to marriage. Astrology can point out the one best suited to you for a marriage partner if you are unmarried, and point out many interesting and important conditions and phases likely to be connected with your married life and general future, or if you are already married and unhappy, it can very likely go far to show you how to improve and brighten your condition. Women contemplating marriage or mothers having daughters about to marry should consult a reliable Astrologer before taking this most important step and thus avoid what might be a fatal mistake and one which might have a most unfortunate effect upon their future happiness. In the following Readings I have touched upon certain events such as are likely to happen to men and women born under the sign Capricorn before they reach the age of twenty-five, which should go far to convince readers of this department of the great truths and value contained in this wonderful Science. This month I am going to talk to the ladies who are readers of this magazine, and I hope that every daughter of Capricorn who is a reader and subscriber of the MAGAZINE OF MYSTERIES will benefit by this Reading and the knowledge it gives her about herself.

Dear Daughter of Capricorn:

CAPRICORN—Your sign is astrologically most important, being the second of the two tropics, and is considered to be a negative electric, feminine, earthly one, being the third sign of the triplicity ruling the element earth. Capricorn is important in another way, because it is the house of the most powerful and wonderful of the planets, Saturn, and is believed by many to be fortunate because of Saturn's great power. Your mind is remarkably keen and sharp and you have been able to penetrate and get at the point of anything almost at once, as no subject is apparently too difficult for a woman of your sign to grasp if they care to look into it seriously and really give it consideration. Women of your sign are born diplomats, and you have, doubtless, been able to accomplish things impossible to another by the use of this quality. You should always take the leading part in anything. Your sign usually endows women born under it with marked executive ability; meaning that they like to and can successfully plan and direct the work of others along any line. In fact, you can direct an undertaking, no matter how great, as ably as the smallest one, and that should have been your sphere in life. You like to see things well done and you expect such commendation as you are entitled to, although you are just in this respect and you do not want praise for anything which your critical nature tells you is not satisfactory. You have been able to tell very quickly whether anything is up to certain requirements or not and none can deceive you on the quality of results already accomplished, for a moment. Your confidence in yourself, and impulsiveness sometimes lead you to rather hasty conclusions, and you should have been careful to have been certain that your opinions were correct before expressing them. In this respect you may have had a tendency at times, like many women of your sign, to express certain of your ideas in a peculiar way, and you may have unconsciously conveyed a wrong impression to your hearers. You have doubtless noticed this, and it is due to the depth with which you can go into any subject in a moment, and have forgotten, at times, that others have not had your penetration and so could not always follow your reasoning. You should have been on your guard against this and should always have tried to lead such persons into a correct understanding of your opinions if you saw they misunderstood your way of expressing yourself. Your love of your parents and family circle is strong, and anything connected with them has been a matter of solicitude to you. Usually women of your sign are looked up to and respected by the other members of the family, and while they may have done so unconsciously, they have doubtless modeled their actions and conduct, often, after yours. This you ought always to have in mind, and you should always be a faithful guide and teacher to them, as more has depended on you in this respect than you have ever thought. One of the finest traits you have is your desire to work for and protect the interests of members of your family, and you doubtless have made great sacrifices for them. You should have been careful not to allow this noble quality to be used to your disadvantage by unscrupulous persons who may have tried to lead you into indiscreet actions under the pretext that you were helping some member of your family, when they were really trying to obtain something themselves. You have probably, been quite religious in your own way and you should never allow your practical nature to interfere with your spiritual one, because after all, you must realize that it is the spiritual that really counts. Anything practical and useful appeals to you immediately in daily life, but you should not apply that principle to everything, and should strive to broaden your views, develop your talents by suitable reading and the company of persons whose conversation and acquirements would be of benefit to you. While, as I have mentioned before, you have been impulsive in some ways, yet you have not displayed the depth of your true feelings readily, and this fact has possibly led others, as you may have noticed, to think that you were unfriendly and cold. No one could know better than yourself how wrong any such idea is and regarding this, you probably have been caused no little suffering and unhappiness by being misunderstood, as so many women of your sign are. Actions have always been what counted with you, and your practical view of things has caused you to expect others to take a similar one. Affectionate displays you have considered well enough and you like sincere affection, but when you have done favors for others at a considerable sacrifice to yourself, you considered that this was a sufficient and practical demonstration of your regard, and that nothing more should be required. Your abilities are unusual and you have only to develop them, and persevere to be able to accomplish more than you have any idea of. You can be very witty and entertaining when you choose, and also very sarcastic if provoked by a piece of stupidity in another. Should you ever have thought it necessary to take up an occupation, I might say that many women who have been successful in designing, teaching, dressmaking, etc., have been born under your sign. You should always have been in a supervising or directing capacity in any occupation with which you have been connected, as in such a position your talents are shown to the best advantage. In other lines than the foregoing, you should have done well with proper training in occupations connected with the practical side of art, dealing in pictures and artist's materials, being an art or musical critic, as you doubtless have a keen appreciation of color and harmony. These talents you should cultivate sincerely, as you may yet find them useful sometime in life. Your health should be up to the average, but while you are doubtless careful of it, yet you must guard it intelligently. You should avoid taking cold or being near damp conditions, and so protect yourself from rheumatic conditions in the knees and joints. Be sure to get enough nourishing food and keep from eating or doing things which you know from experience irritate your skin, nervous system or stomach, and you should so enjoy good health. Marriage has been a most important subject for your consideration, especially as you have had high ideals of it. Your stars suggest, however, that the right kind of a husband would be one who could attract and command your respect by his achievements and practical ability. Such a one would have been indicated when the Moon in his life chart was in certain aspects to the Sun in yours. Women of Capricorn have many opportunities to marry, usually, but the best opportunity generally offers about the age of twenty-two. Capricorn women are presumed from certain Astrological laws to be brought into contact at sometime in their lives with prominent or wealthy men who benefit them in some way. Generally speaking, the financial condition of women of your sign seldom goes below a certain level up to the age of thirty, when it usually improves and becomes better than before. Capricorn usually gives its daughters several opportunities to travel and at least one long sea voyage is suggested for them. Besides this, a number of sudden changes of residence or location are shown for them at the ages of seven and a quarter, fourteen and a half, twenty-two and twenty-nine and a half, thirty-eight and forty-five and a half. These are usually important years for women of your sign and important developments may be then expected. Capricorn usually gives from two to four children, the first of whom is unusually bright and who becomes prominent and popular and acquires considerable wealth. The woman of Capricorn is usually very much attached to the first child, and the children are always devoted to their mother. The woman of this sign seldom marries but once, but should a second marriage occur, it is usually quite late in life, about the age of forty-nine. A very long life is indicated by your sign Capricorn, many people born under it living to be eighty-five or ninety years of age and retaining excellent health. Women of your sign generally are brought much into contact with the public in some way and make many sincere and lasting friends of both sexes. There are, however, one or two whom they prefer above all the others and whose friendship they retain all their lives. You have, Dear Daughter of Capricorn, but to overcome a slight tendency toward impatience and a feeling of doubt as regards your abilities to gain the Success, Happiness and Prosperity you are so worthy of. Women of your sign nearly always receive unexpected benefits in the way of lands, property, etc., at a certain period in their lives. The exact age could not, however, be discovered in a general Reading of your sign such as this, but many times these benefits are received about the age of forty-two. Your birthstones are the yellow amethyst and sapphire, and the colors of your sign are black and gray. Your fortunate day of each week is Saturday.

To the Mother

NOW, was your child born between December 22d and January 21st? If so, the child is ruled by Capricorn, and if you were born under Capricorn, too, this makes a most fortunate combination for both you and your child. In appearance your child will likely be rather slender and perhaps rather delicate in appearance when quite young, but this will disappear as the child grows older, and about the age of fifteen will doubtless come a period when your child will become quite a little stouter than before, enjoying excellent health. Your child's mind is gifted with some unusual talents and will be able to grasp certain subjects readily that other children seem never able to understand. Your child has a very practical mind and while respecting details and theories does not take as much trouble to understand them as might be wise owing to the fact that as a rule the Capricorn child does not see the necessity for understanding them, feeling that that can be left to others. Therefore, I would earnestly advise you to explain to your child the necessity for a good general education and broad mindedness. Your child will probably not care for such studies at school, the practical applications of which are not plain and you should not fail to reason with your child and explain their uses. As your child gets older, however, he or she will be quick to see the advantages of such things, but for all that you should try to explain their value now. Your child will be intensely ambitious and earnestly desire to succeed and become wealthy and famous and will use every effort to gain these ends, but you must explain that they will be more easily gained by a good, general education. Your child will have a quick insight, but will require everything explained that is not clear, to see whether it is of advantage before taking any action. Respecting this you should caution your child against thinking too highly of its own judgment and learn to get the viewpoints of others even if it does not follow them. Your child will usually be diplomatic and kind hearted in dealing with others, but while generous with family and friends will doubtless be very exacting about money matters with those he or she might have no interest in. Your child will probably have rather a quick temper, but will bear no malice and can be easily taught to control it, which all children born under Capricorn should be taught to do. However, your child will doubtless outgrow this tendency, but you should have lots of patience. Be careful about punishing your child, as children of this sign can never be driven, and if punished too much or unfairly will never show their best side nor develop in the right way. The best way to handle your child is with a firm but gentle hand. Your child has an unusual amount of fairness and a sense of justice which will cause him or her to be very benevolent and desire to benefit and guide

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December

Under the silent white souled stars I bow
Alone in that vast hour that dies, the year—
In that strange border-land of Then and Now,
The average of doubt and hope and fear.
Emery Pottle.

Be Happy To-day

Do not dwell in the future,
Do not dream of the past,
But live now, in the present,
Trusting the present will last.

To-day is your day to be happy,
To-morrow may never come;
Then drink of life's joys sweetest,
Of the future let lips be dumb.

The castles you're building may tumble,
The love that you trust may wane;
Then keep in the present, living,
And live not to-day in vain.

'Tis hard not to trust to-morrow,
Or another day that may dawn;
'Tis hard to look back with sorrow
On the yesterdays that have gone

But such is life's great lesson,
Or at least I've found it so,
And the only way is keep trying
To make "good" each day as you go.
Light of Truth.

True worth is in being, not seeming,
In doing, each day that goes by,
Some little good; not in dreaming
Of great things to do by and bye.
For whatever men say in their blindness,
And in spite of the fancies of youth,
There's nothing so kindly as kindness,
And nothing so royal as truth.
—Alice Cary.

A Christmas Prayer

O Blessed God, with Thee in our hearts, there will be "Peace on earth, good will toward men." Thy Mighty Love is all the soul longs for! Through Thy Great Love the soul is bathed in eternal calm and peace, and we reach the Blessed State—at one with Thee, the Adorable One. With Thy Mighty Love the Christ within is awakened and All is Peace and Good Will.

The Spirit of Universal Love

SOMETIMES we call it good will, sometimes kindness, sometimes philanthropy, sometimes attraction and sometimes love. Whatever our name it is the one constructive force of the universe. It holds atom to atom, cell to cell, heart to heart and world to sun. It is everywhere manifest, everywhere operative. It is shown in the sunshine that warms into life the myriad forms of each planet. It is shown by the rain that falls upon the thirsty lips of the leaves. It is shown by the cosmic force that holds the clustered stars in space and impels them forward in perfect harmony and order. It is shown by the mother that lends her substance to the little one and thus furnishes a gateway for a soul to enter into life. It is shown by the martyr who gives his life that the race may be quickened and the truth made plain.

We are coming more and more to see that the way of love is the way of life, and that he who denies good will to any being in that far limits his own happiness. It is our privilege to give out kindliness as the sun gives out light. It is our privilege to carry with us an atmosphere of blessing and health. It is our privilege to make life a song, to radiate good cheer.

All through the ages men have had but a partial conception of life. They have looked at a segment of the circle, not the full rounded orb. They have limited themselves by their own attitudes. They have cut off their power of coming to the universal—God—by hating and excluding a part of that universal. They have failed to see that they could not arrive at the fulness of life until they were reconciled to every being who shared that life. They tried to be at peace with God while at war with their neighbors. They forgot first to be reconciled to their brothers before bringing their gifts to the altar.

The light grows. Our conceptions broaden. A larger segment of the circle appears. We begin to see that to hate is simply to limit ourselves. God does not exclude us, but we exclude God when we exclude His creatures. He is love, universal love, and we can only come to Him by entering into the spirit of the universal love which He is. To shut our hearts against any is to shut our hearts against Him. "As you have done it even unto the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

Those who sin are like children In any real sense the sin hurts only themselves, but they do not see they do not understand. If we hate them for it we do them no good and hurt ourselves. It is not ours to censure and exclude, but rather to help them unfold and grow into something better. A flower will not blossom in the darkness but in the sunlight. So a soul will not open unto hatred, but rather unto love. When our child commits a fault we love it into doing better. So we should make our attitude to the little, growing souls that stumble and fall along the way of life.

This is the heart of the gospel taught by Jesus. Underneath every sentence of it is the spirit of love. The religion of the Jews had been one of strife and struggle, of stern justice, of an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. That religion stoned the malefactor and went forth with the sword to slay those whom it considered the enemies of the true God. It regarded the children of Israel as the chosen people, and excluded all others. It was a fierce, a warlike faith, it sought to limit the Father to a faction. The Nazarene brought an utterly new faith. It judged not. It resisted not. It excluded not. Like the sunshine, it flowed out alike to all, Gentile as well as Jew, sinner as well as saint. It laid aside the battle flag and raised instead the banner of peace. It was no longer the avenging angel, white and stern and terrible; but it was the angel with the shining eyes and the smiling face, that came not to condemn but to lift up.

From that day a new word was on the lips and in the hearts of men. That word was love. Long it had struggled for expression, but the utterance was faint and broken. Now had come a full and adequate voice that sang forth the song with sweetness and glory and power, and the music that fell from those divine lips has charmed the world into some semblance of harmony and good will.

The Enduring Fairy-lore of Christmas-tide

The coming of Christmas has brought into prominence new pleas for the "abolition" of Santa Claus and new discussions of Christmas myths that—for the child-mind at least—possess a never-fading interest. For the benefit of children who are still perplexed by "Santa Claus problems" an Atlanta newspaper reprints the reply that Charles A. Dana, the famous editor of the New York *Sun*, once made to a little girl who wrote, voicing her misgivings because she had been told that there was "no Santa Claus," and pleading, "Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?" Mr. Dana took up the question in his editorial columns.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist. And you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childish faith then, no poetry, no romance, to make tolerable this existence. . . . Nobody sees Santa Claus. But that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. . . .

"You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance can push aside that curtain and view glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus? Thank God! He lives and lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia—nay, ten times ten thousand years from now—he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

Let Us Give Thanks

Let us give thanks to-day;
Each heart finds its straight way
To grateful shrine, and pray.

Upon the altar place
Some glad thanksgiving grace.

God to us has been good
In ways not understood,
Verdure and snow for flower;
Each heart make thankful hour.

Thanksgiving for all life,
However endeth strife.
All life is changeless right
Nor follows night and night.
Know this: though darkness be,
Some song there is for thee.
—Margaret Isabel Cox.

Christmas Carol

Oh, hark! a grand, sweet anthem,
Adown the ages rings,
Sung by the herald angels
Of Christ, the King of kings;
Of Christ, born in a manger,
Where wise men came to lay
Their gifts of loving homage
On that first Christmas Day.
Repeat the song of gladness,
Sung at the Saviour's birth—
Good-will to men forever,
And peace be on the earth!

The song grows gladder, grander,
As ages pass away;
Our hearts become a manger
On every Christmas Day;
And in them, Christ, our Saviour,
Finds resting-place, and we
Before the King in homage
Bow down and bend the knee.
Repeat the song of gladness,
Sung at the Saviour's birth—
Good-will to men forever,
And peace be on the earth!

Ring on, oh, grand old anthem,
Sung on Judea's plain,
Until the wide earth echoes
With our celestial strain;
Until in adoration,
Before the Saviour's feet
Mankind bows down to offer
A homage deep and sweet.
Repeat the song of gladness
Sung at the Saviour's birth—
Good-will to men forever,
And peace be on the earth!
Eben E. Rexford.

The Power of Love and Gentleness

The great Evangelist Moody once said: "Do you want to win men? Do not drive or scold them. Do not try to tear down their prejudices before you begin to lead them on to Truth. Some people think they have to tear down the scaffolding before they begin on the building. An old minister once invited a young brother to preach for him. The latter scolded the people, and when he got home, asked the old minister how he had done. He answered he had an old cow, and when he wanted a good supply of milk, he *fed* the cow; he did not scold her."

Souls everywhere are hungry and thirsty for spiritual truths; they need *feeding*, not *scolding;* they are hungry for love, sympathy and gentleness—and truth.

The power of love and gentleness was the power of the Blessed Master.

Again listen to the great Moody: "If you want to reach people that do not agree with you, do not take a club to knock them down and then try to pick them up. When Jesus Christ dealt with the erring and the sinners, He was as tender with them as a mother is with her sick child."

It is God's great love, working through His children here on earth, that is surely establishing the Brotherhood of man and the Fatherhood of God. Every day brings this ideal of a Universal Brotherhood nearer to its fulfilment.

"With the ideal of Universal Brotherhood before us, the evolution of the race and the aspiration of its units become a more and more inclusive bond of sympathy."

The power of love is gradually and surely dissolving and burning out of man all selfish desires and petty ambitions; it is opening our eyes and our hearts and our minds to the Unity of all Life; it is making man realize that *all* are Eternal Souls, the children of One Loving All-Father.

He who would win souls must love them.

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THE PERSIAN ROSE JAR

A Romance of Eastern Mysticism

By STEVEN BOND

I

"OH, if you please, sir, I've 'ad a misfortune an' broke your best tobacco jar, sir."

The voice of Mrs. Gobble, landlady and scolder-in-general to the first, second and third floors, No. 10, Upper Holland Court, dropped from the indignant scream she usually employed to carry her through life to the chastened whine of a cat who has been caught at the cream, and awaits the judgment of the household with misgiving.

The owner of the property referred to paused in the occupation of warming his shabby slippers in front of an all but departed fire, and ventured upon a mild remonstrance.

"Oh, Mrs. Gobble, not—not my Oxford one, with the arms of my college on it?"

"No, sir, it 'ain't no arms—lions an' a shield, an' language that ain't English."

"It was my Oxford one," and Dick Trent groaned.

"It's all the 'urry as did it, sir; there is such a lot to dust an' do on the three floors, an' I keep all on."

"Yes, yes," hastily interrupted Dick, who knew the latter part of her remark to be without exaggeration; "never mind, it cannot be helped."

"But you sha'n't lose by it, sir. I'll give you a jar I 'ad in the lumber room, wot that Indian gentleman as died left 'ere, though it do smell that funny; 'owever, the tobacco you smoke will soon take that away."

"Oh, thank you," replied Dick.

"I've give it up to you, sir," and Mrs Gobble's shrill voice rose with her spirits to top pitch.

"Very well," interrupted Dick, feverishly; "don't let us talk about it now, Mrs. Gobble; I am finishing my story, and——"

"Very well, sir, an' I do 'ope somethink will come of it, for the litter of them papers, an' all——"

"Hark!" exclaimed Dick; "did you hear a bell?"

"No, sir; what floor, sir?"

"I don't know," answered Dick, vaguely, but with the conviction that he had acted for the best, as Mrs. Gobble departed in a whirlwind, as was her custom.

The winter light was fading in the shabby little room as Dick knelt to minister to the wants of the dying fire.

From his coat pocket he took a much-worn photograph—the portrait of a young and beautiful girl—and gazed at it tenderly in the flickering firelight.

"Her eyes are as pure as daylight," he murmured. "My little Madge, what chance have I of ever winning you? I, a poor scribbler; you, the only daughter of the Bishop of Bellminster!"

He laughed as he spoke, and his laugh sounded mockingly in the darkening room.

Then he sighed and rose to light the candle.

The blue flame of the cheap, sputtering sulphur match glimmered on a pile of typewritten MSS., from all of which protruded an editorial slip.

"Ah!" mused Dick, savagely, "they only differ in the form of their refusals!"

He picked a slip out of the pile and read it.

"Your work shows much ability," ran the slip, "but, unfortunately, your manuscript, which we beg to return herewith, is unsuitable to our purpose. It lacks imagination."

"Imagination!' Dick broke off, bitterly. "Imagination! Its very name is a mockery in such surroundings as these. How can it live cheek by jowl with the stern reality of an empty cupboard and rent a month in arrears? Hullo, what's this?"

A curious object on his table attracted his attention; it was a big jar of unusual shape, covered with dust and cobwebs that the energetic Mrs. Gobble had failed to remove.

It stood over a foot in height and was covered with a big, dome-shaped lid, while two antique brass lions lifted it at the sides.

"Mrs. Gobble's substitute for my tobacco jar, I suppose," Dick ejaculated. "Well, it's the most curious thing I have ever seen to keep tobacco in. I'll dust it up a bit," and Dick suited the action to the word, and took off the worst of the cobwebs with the ink-stained sleeve of his old coat.

The dusky, bluish-green of the round part of the jar resolved into curiously twined and beautifully painted figures, some flying, while hundreds of others became visible when held sideways

"The jar is yours, Sonny; you shall have it for your own, I promise you"

With something of a shock Dick realized that the lions at the side were not brass, but of finest beaten gold, and that the metal dome must be hundreds or perhaps thousands of years old, and that he was looking at a wonderful and priceless early Persian work of art, probably a Persian rose jar.

Within an hour Dick had made two discoveries. There were some forty rose leaves at the bottom of the jar, and their scent was sweeter and stronger than the Bishop's whole rose garden in summer, and what seemed strange, they had not changed their color, but appeared to be newly dropped petals. Yet, reasoned Dick, they must have been shut up ever so long. Moreover, the underneath part of the lid, which had at first appeared to be solid, with brass perforations, was really an openwork box of gold, closed with a spring.

Dick could not find out how to open this, until, by an accident, he suddenly hit upon the secret. The rose in the centre of the right lion's forehead opened it.

It contained a thin piece of ancient parchment, in an unknown language; also another piece of paper—a translation in Sanscrit—and more rose leaves, only brighter and fresher than the others.

Dick was aware of a curious feeling of dizziness as he reclosed the spring and commenced to translate the second paper. One hour, two hours, three hours, and this is what he read:

"Heaven's favorite flower blown upon by the spicy winds, and scattered in the sacred garden of Azim, destined to be forever immortal. The desire of kings, the origin of imagination, wherewith the soul of the poet is possessed with ecstasy.

"Guarded perpetually in the temple of the priests that the dreams of Azim may be sweet forever.

"Inhale if ye would dream. Eat if your mind would travel in far lands. Distil if ye would die. Even so, breathe oft if your soul would sing."

For quite twenty minutes by the clock, after reading his translation, Dick sat lost in thought.

The strange mysticism of the East, their legends, customs and powers in magic, passed through his mind; still he tapped the table absently and pondered; he was finding that a healthy English education cannot be forgotten in a few minutes.

The phrase, "the origin of imagination," kept recurring again and again to his mind.

Could he indeed supply, by means of this jar, the imagination he had been told he lacked?

Then Dick deliberately drew the curious Persian rose jar to him, and, opening the spring, he inhaled the perfume of the rose leaves through the little gold grating.

Breathing deeply, he felt as if he were sinking into space, growing into a different being in some other world.

A glorious scent of roses was about him, and his feet touched a path in a strange rose garden, in some beautiful land he had never seen.

The minutes passed, they were only minutes now, then Dick opened his eyes; for one second he realized he was in his room, then he stretched out his hand for his pen, and wrote on the paper beside him—wrote on for hours.

He was still rewriting and correcting when Mrs. Gobble entered next morning with her usual flourish of brooms and pans, to sweep the room.

"Lor', sir, ain't yer bin ter bed?"

"No," said Dick, "but I have been dreaming all the same, Mrs. Gobble."

"Wot about, sir?" inquired the anxious Mrs. Gobble; "nothink 'umpy or hunpleasant, I 'ope."

"Oh, no," and Dick smiled; "you will read my dream, Mrs. Gobble, in a leading London magazine, of which I will give you a copy shortly."

Dick spoke with a new confidence; he knew the value of the work he held in his hand.

"And, by the way, Mrs. Gobble, I should like to buy this jar of you."

"Didn't I give it ter ye, sir?" asked Mrs. Gobble in an injured tone.

"Yes, but I should like to feel it was really mine. When this is sold," said Dick, indicating the newly written manuscript he held in his hand, "I will give you half the money I get for it for your jar."

And Dick looked across the room with the air of a man who had conquered—across the room which had seen so many struggles. He knew that he was a rich man. He also knew that he wanted to sleep.

II

DICK TRENT sat writing in his study at Coombe Lawn, the house he had purchased in one of the prettiest corners of Hampshire. The French windows of the room opened upon a wide, velvet lawn, with a dark belt of fir trees encircling it.

One year had sufficed to make Dick famous.

The public spoke of him as a writer of marvelous imagination, such as had not existed since the days of Edgar Allan Poe. The critics marveled at the wonderful insight into Persian and native Indian life displayed in his writings.

His last novel, "An Idyll of Shiraz," had been the rage of the season. The new story he was now at work upon had already been bought up by a well-known London publisher.

The source of Dick's inspiration, the Persian rose jar, stood on the table by his side, and, as he laid down his pen, he looked at it thoughtfully.

Dick was thinking of his last visit to the Bishop, and the recollection was not of a pleasant nature.

Dick had unburdened the secret of his love for Madge upon that occasion to the Bishop, and his confession had been received with stony disapproval; the Bishop's last words had been that he considered Dick's income as a writer far too precarious to entitle him to regard himself as a suitor to the hand of his daughter.

"Ah," sighed Dick, as he drew a sketch of Madge absent-mindedly upon the blotting-paper in front of him, "if my new novel sells as well as the last one, I shall have an income for life; then Madge and I will be able to get married."

And with a smile at the thought of such happiness Dick put away his manuscript and carelessly took up the daily paper on his desk.

As he turned the paper over the words, "No. 10, Upper Holland Court," met his eye on the front page.

"My old address!" exclaimed Dick, and visions of the half-forgotten Mrs. Gobble rose before his eyes.

"Why, what's this?"

"A large sum of money will be given to the present owner of a piece of early Persian pottery, last seen at the above address, if the present owner will bring same to No. 27a, Gray's Inn, London."

A feeling akin to fear seized Dick; somebody else wanted the magic jar, then, and knew the value of it; somebody who had perhaps traced it so far, and was getting nearer toward the finding of it every day.

Dick's heart sank when he thought what the loss of the jar would mean to him; he would never be able to write without its aid; he needed it daily for writing his book, the book that was to complete his fame as a writer of romance. To lose the jar would mean to lose fame, to lose Madge—everything. Full of a sudden fear, Dick seized the jar, nearly upsetting the maid-servant who was bringing in afternoon tea, and carrying it upstairs, locked it in the iron safe in his bedroom and put the key on his watch chain.

"I will never lose sight of it, night or day, and I will run no risks," muttered Dick, as he descended to the study, where he followed his usual custom, and fell asleep after his day's work, in the chair in front of his writing table.

During dinner Dick was destined to receive another shock in connection with his Persian rose jar.

Dick's guest, Mr. Scarlsbrook, who was a solicitor staying in the neighborhood, announced his intention of returning to London on the morrow.

"Where is your office in town?" Dick inquired, casually.

"27a, Gray's Inn," replied the solicitor.

Dick gave a perceptible start, and remembered the advertisement in the newspaper.

"I have to get back to town," continued the solicitor, "on account of a singular case I have on now, and a still more singular client."

"Something interesting?" queried Dick, and the feverish eagerness with which he asked the question was poorly concealed.

"Very; my client is none other than the celebrated Rajah of Nazwalpore, one of the oldest and richest princes in India. He was recommended to me, and came to consult me about a family heirloom which is lost, but which he means to recover at any cost."

Dick was silent, although he was listening to every word.

"It appears," continued the solicitor, 'that some relation—a cousin, I think—stole several things of priceless value from the Rajah's palace about the time the Rajah came of age.

"The cousin contrived to get away to England, and, either fearing discovery or perhaps because he did not know where to take his ill-gotten gains, died in comparative poverty in Upper Holland Court, a sort of slum off the Tottenham Court Road."

"Remarkable!" said Dick; "what is the heirloom he desires so much to recover?"

"A Persian rose jar of great antiquity.

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"Then my heart became affected. It would beat most rapidly just after I drank my coffee, and go below normal as the coffee effect wore off. Sometimes my pulse would go as high as 137 beats to the minute. My family were greatly alarmed at my condition, and at last mother persuaded me to begin the use of Postum.

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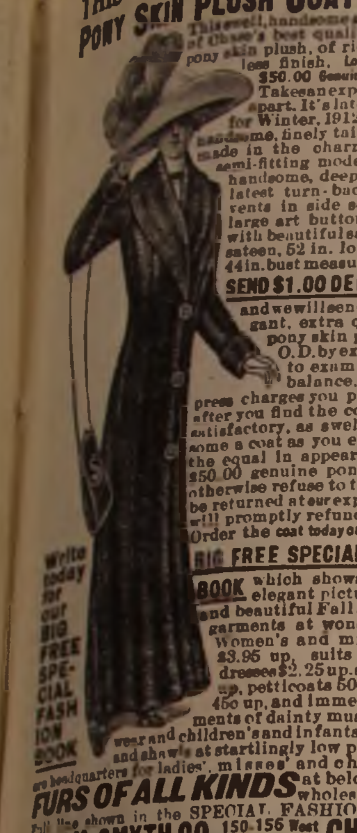

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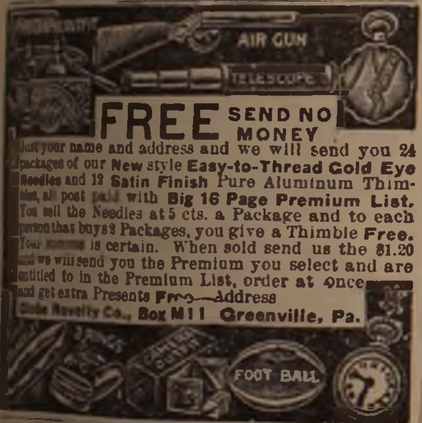

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A Special Christmas Present

Dear Readers:

It gives me pleasure to tell you that I have been able to arrange for a special Christmastide gift to those of our readers in the United States who will join the Mystic Success Club between now and January 31.

You know what good the Mystic Success Club does for its members. What speedy, practical benefits our members themselves tell about; of blessings received—which they gratefully thank the Club for. Our Club grows and broadens because it is a powerful organization and combination for true, practical aid, for HEALTH, HAPPINESS and SUCCESS. It has helped thousands in every walk of life, and I want it to help thousands more.

The Degrees we give you assist you quickly and remarkably. The First Degree I will send you is the Health Degree, for we desire that you shall become healthy, tranquil in nerves, calm in mind and free from worry and doubt. That alone is of untold value, as you will agree, and the other Degrees are designed specially to make you cheerful, magnetic and attractive to friends and opportunities.

Great men and women everywhere are beginning to recognize and appreciate some of the truths and principles which our Degrees convey and MAKE PART OF YOUR LIFE. Yes, many world-renowned physicians, ministers, professional men and women and scientists not only recommend but practice these wonderfully valuable and helpful principles which we have embodied so clearly and plainly in our Degrees that anyone and everyone can understand and profit by them.

A full membership is given to any Brother or Sister who will send us four One-Dollar subscriptions in the United States to the MAGAZINE OF MYSTERIES, as we do not charge any fees or dues for Life Membership in the Club. We want the good work and influence of our Magazine to spread and be of benefit and blessing to those who do not know it now. Therefore, if you will send us four One-Dollar subscriptions—to go to any four addresses in the United States—you will be made a member of our grand and glorious Club and I will start you on your Degrees immediately. And by getting the Magazine before new readers you will have done them a lasting service.

Read what dear members say in their grateful letters, a few new ones of which I publish on this page every month. See how they testify to the many blessings that they now have reason to feel so thankful for. I want all my readers to have their share of these blessings, so get four subscriptions and join the Club at once.

Now about the special Christmas present. The publishers kindly agreed to let me give, without any charge, to any of my readers who will join our Club between now and Christmas Day, their choice of two nice books. You can have either the book entitled "Meat Substitutes" or "The Right Knock."

I persuaded the publishers to allow me to make this a New Year's gift as well, so you have that extra opportunity. But this free book offer positively ends on the thirty-first day of January.

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I consider that a life membership given for four subscriptions to the MAGAZINE OF MYSTERIES is generous enough in itself. Therefore, this extra gift of a beautiful and useful book is in accord with the spirit of Christmas and should encourage all to hasten to join the Club.

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To members I would say, first that the cipher instructions I prepare fresh every month, and which I give you on this page, are specially important and helpful for you at this period of the year. You will see what I mean when you read the December instructions with your Members' Key. Be sure and follow these instructions, for I prepare them carefully for you every month and you would be delighted to know how many members write to me saying what a real and valuable assistance they are. Only members can have this key, and I am specially desirous that new members shall join this month and get the Key and benefits of these instructions, as well as let me start them on their Degrees.

Also, my Comrades, I want you all to read the letters from members printed in this page. I give you new ones every month, but only have space to publish a few of the many interesting and glowing testimonials that I receive.

A special Christmas gift in the form of a beautiful, cloth-bound book will be given to all new members who join the Club between now and the end of the holy-day, New Year season. I have mentioned the book elsewhere on this page, and it is through the courtesy of the publishers, so hasten to avail yourself of this unusual and generous offer. I know you will want the book, I know that it will help you and prove of great practical value. Also, I am sure that you want to join the Club and to do other people the good service of getting them to read the Magazine regularly. Consequently all you have to do is to get four people, in the United States, to subscribe a dollar each to the Magazine, send the four subscriptions with their names and addresses, and the book is yours, and you will be given at once a life membership in the grand Club which makes for Health, Happiness and Success.

The Club progresses gloriously. Every day new members are joining and you who are members already know the good results and benefits that new members can rejoice in.

I give you the season's best greetings and sincerest good wishes

From your Comrade

Brother Theodore

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CANNOT PRAISE ENOUGH

Sister Besant says her eyes are being opened. What wonderful benefits come as we see and understand. How life changes for the better.

I cannot speak highly enough of what I have learned in those Degrees. Language fails me to state the help I have received, so will only say that I am getting my eyes opened. God bless the Club.

MRS. ELLEN BESANT.

THE QUICK RESULTS

The Health Degree was sent to Sister Gaiter. She felt too ill at first to start her Degree. Simply because she had not tried it as yet and did not realize what it would or could do. But she very soon found out to her joyful surprise.

Just as my First Degree came it found me very ill and I was unable to use it for some time. However, just as soon as I started to use it I began to feel a great deal better and much brighter in spirit and wish to enjoy my First Degree another month before starting the Second.

MRS. M. GAITER.

THE BEST HELP

Brother Jackson writes frankly and sincerely. Says he:

I can honestly and truthfully say that this Club is the best help I have come across. Though not yet sick I tried it to see if I would feel any kind of a change. The most noticeable change to my mind was a complete rest at night, something I have not enjoyed for a long time. Again I have had favors done me by people whom I never expected anything from. I have also received a small sum owed me and which I thought never to be able to collect. On the whole it is all so strange that I cannot find words to express myself.

JOHN W. JACKSON.

ANOTHER HOME HAPPIER

Helped in Health, Happiness and Business; that's the refrain from Sister Burke's letter. She writes:

I feel it my duty to give you many thanks for the past year for my many pleasures. I have better health and a little bakery. My home has changed wonderfully. I can hardly wait from one month to another for my Magazine. I have now had my Fourth Degree and would not take any money for them. I think the Magazine should be in every home.

MRS. ADDIE BURKE.

THEY EVEN GAIN WEIGHT

Perhaps you never thought that members of the Club gain in weight as they get more healthy. Well they do, as this sister's letter shows. After all, it's not to be wondered at. Servator showed in one of his lectures that worry injures the kidneys and anger hurts the liver and causes it to exude a poison which damages the blood: that worry keeps one thin and fretful and fear keeps development back. Servator is right, as usual, so you can readily see that as the Degrees stop your worrying better health and flesh should follow naturally. And yet, that's only one benefit the Degrees impart. In Sister Patch's letter she says:

DEAR MYSTIC:

Enclosed please find my Third Degree. I have studied it faithfully and can truthfully say that I am wonderfully benefited by it. I cannot say enough for what it has done for me. When I joined I weighed 116 pounds. Now I weigh 130 and am still gaining, and there is nothing but love in my heart. With love to all members of the Club, I am

MRS. ELSIE PATCH.

NO MEDICINE LIKE IT

You must have noticed how often members speak of their restored health and no longer need or desire medicines. Also they speak of good, refreshing sleep now, tranquil nerves, calm mind and freedom from the worry habit. Here's a sister who was able to quit medicines. And by knowledge and help of the principles and laws, for He who created our physical bodies is certainly able to keep them well without drugs and such poisons. Sister Ross says, in a letter speaking of having completed her First Degree.

I am feeling much better than I did before joining the Club and I have not had to take even one dose of medicine of any kind since I have joined the Club.

MARY E. ROSS.

GETTING ON SPLENDIDLY

Comrade Davis reports very satisfactory progress at the end of, the First Degree. Much is said in few words, but our members will understand how much more there is to come.

I am writing you a few lines to let you know how I am getting along since I have been a member of yours. I am getting along in health and mind and every way now.

A. L. DAVIS.

LIGHT TO HIS LIFE

More light, clearer vision, larger understanding mean progress in the best of everything. Here's a brother who tells of the clearer vision, the Light which can only be appreciated by those who have realized it.

My Fourth Degree has brought great light to my life and I consider it one of the grandest organizations I ever witnessed. I am going over my Fourth Degree again and hope that I am now ready for the Sealed Instructions and the Mystic Scroll. With best wishes to the Club members.

CHAS. H. TAYLOR.

I AM NOW WELL

This dear member says a volume in four words, "I am now well." Such is the testimony from members as to the real, actual, practical result of the Degrees. And this sister had only gone through her Second Degree when she wrote.

I have finished working the Second Degree. It is inspiring to be taught how to become receptive. Working the First Degree was a tonic. I am now well. The Second Degree has directed how to open the mind and receive the love, light and wisdom of God more fully than I ever realized before.

ANNIE S.

BEST IN SEVEN YEARS

Brother Meyers sends an account of the many and great blessings he has such reason to be thankful for. Isn't it pleasant and refreshing to read such letters.

I am happy and cheerful and love people I hated before and have made many friends and gained in strength. Can work hard all day without getting tired and am calm. My nerves are steady and calm and I sleep sound every night and feel refreshed when I get up in the mornings. I never felt so good in the last seven years as I do to-day. God bless the Mystic Success Club.

HARRY MEYERS.

ALL THAT WE CLAIM

This brother speaks of our great, uplifting work and tells you that the Degrees do what we say they can. This letter states:

Having completed the Third Degree, I am desirous of having you send me the Fourth by return mail. I am pleased to state that these Degrees are every bit of what you claim and to my estimation the Club is doing a great uplifting work in our temporary home, the Universe. Thanks to the founders of this Society and wishing all members the best of success.

GEORGE H. GREEN.

Blessings Beginning

Often members gain wonderfully after the First Degree. The good work really commences the day you receive your First Degree. The results show in some quicker than with others. It depends largely on your faith and sincerity. This sister tells you of results from her First Degree. The others she had not received when she wrote.

I am enclosing my record of the First Degree, which I have tried to work as conscientiously as possible. Will anxiously await my Second Degree, as I certainly have realized great help and strength each day, and have been wonderfully benefited by it. My health is better now than for years. My nerves are much stronger and I am almost entirely free from a severe nervous headache, from which I have suffered for years. I thank God for the blessings I have already received through this wonderful Club, and may He ever bless you in your noble work.

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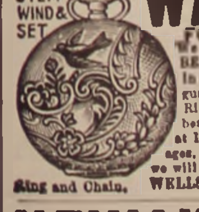

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THE belief in spirit return or spirit communication I do not regard as conflicting with any religion or creed. In fact, I consider this as fitting in readily and reasonably with all forms of belief.

The Bible is full of accounts of spirit return and manifestation. So much so that people who unthinkingly scoff at spiritism or deny it are really denying the Bible.

I advise my readers not to allow their personalities to be used as mediums for strange spirits to take temporary possession of. I have given the reasons for this advice, and went into them very fully some time ago in our Magazine.

But to have the comfort of knowing that our loved ones who have passed on can, under certain conditions, communicate with us and assure us of their actual being and love, how can anyone call such belief wrong or such knowledge harmful?

Every month I receive accounts of visions, dreams and occult happenings from our readers. They come from good, earnest people everywhere—Europe, Asia, Australia, Africa and North and South America—for we have readers all over the world.

I am glad to get all the accounts I can of any spiritistic experience or telepathy, etc. Needless to say, I only want true, actual occurrences. We all have a duty together. Let us observe it.

A Miner's Experience

A reader who works in one of the Western mines, writes that at one time he helped to get a man's body out of a prospect hole, and the coroner said that the man had broken his neck in the fall, the cause of his falling being whisky, an empty bottle being found near the hole.

Our friend writes that some time later this man's spirit came to him and told him how he could make some money. He concludes his story by saying: "So one can see that even those who passed over can and do repay a kindness, and one lesson is, that humanity should learn that drink causes more tears from wives, children, mothers and fathers than would float all the ships in the world, and that it is time we do something to prevent the vampires from going on in their horrible business of selling bottled ruin and living upon the lives of others."

A Haunted House

Some people think that people who see or hear anything supernatural must be nervous, hysterical folks and with strong imaginations.

I have met dozens of calm, level-headed, rugged business men who have had psychic experiences, and to look at them you certainly could not say they were hysterical or suffering from "nerves."

A few days ago I met Martin Erasmi, a roadmaker and building contractor, who has been engaged with his force of men and some teams making and grading avenues at Waldorf Terrace.

Mr. Erasmi has the robust health and stamina of a man who is engaged in hard, practical outdoor work.

He picked up a copy of the MAGAZINE OF MYSTERIES that was lying on the desk, and pointing to an article headed "Haunted Houses" he said: "Many people would laugh at that article and say that there is no such thing as a haunted house, but if they lived in the house where I have been living for two years, they would change their opinion."

Mr. Erasmi spoke in a quiet, matter-of-fact way, just as if he was talking about the heating arrangements or the floor plan of his house, or any other ordinary details.

"Tell me some of the experiences," I asked.

"Well," he said, "we noticed nothing unusual about the house for some time, but one evening I was sitting alone reading. The doors were open, and a figure came in and passed through the room and upstairs. The person seemed to have such a right there that it occurred to me only a few minutes later that this was a very strange thing. Then I heard some noises upstairs and a sound as of a rocking-chair in one of the upper rooms. I knew that we had no rocking-chair on the upper floor, so I went up and asked my wife if she had been moving about or had put a rocking-chair on that floor. She replied that she had been in bed for over an hour and had been asleep and heard nothing.

"The rocking is often heard in that unused room upstairs, and a figure of an old lady goes up and down quite frequently and has been seen by many of us.

"One day when I went to pay my rent to the lady who owns the house I said to her, 'Was there ever a rocking-chair upstairs?' and she said, 'Yes, in my mother's room upstairs, and she was confined to her room most of the time, and always used to sit in her favorite rocking-chair up there.'

"Then we hear many funny noises and rappings and footsteps in different parts of the house, and when my relations or my wife's relatives come there to stay they notice these noises, but we try to make as little of them as possible for fear of scaring them. However, they generally become aware of the fact that there are spirits moving about the house and some of them get frightened and some do not.

"Sometimes the spirits seem inclined to play jokes on us. A tapping will commence on the window of our living-room in the evenings.

"A friend who was there one night and heard it said, 'Some of the boys are trying to annoy us.'

"'If you think so,' said I, 'go and stand outside and put your hand on the window glass and see what happens.'

"He went outside and put his hand on the window-pane, yet the tapping kept right on, as I knew it would, for we had tried this before.

"Another night, after I had gone to sleep, I was awakened by a big hammering at the back door. I got up, put my head out of the window over the back door

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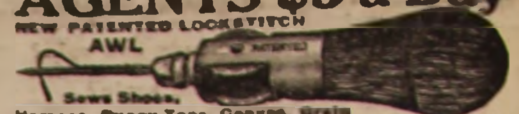

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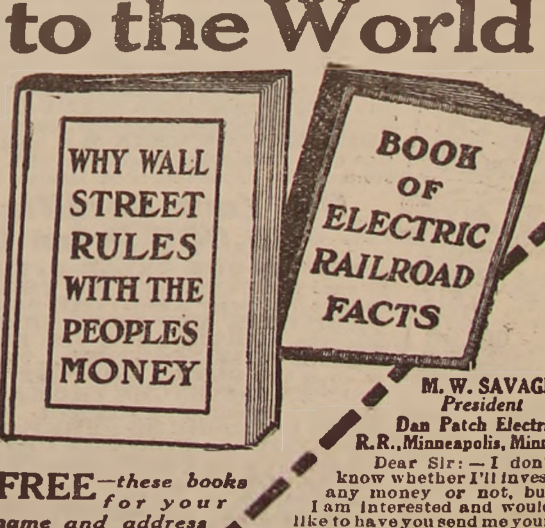
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All the wide expanse of blue;
You must mount up to the hilltop,
Where the air is pure and sweet,
There you'll find the sun's still shining,
While the earth lies at your feet.

And while drinking in the manna
From the mountain-top of love,
In the realm of spirit fancy,
All earth's sordid cares above,
There will come to you the knowledge
That there comes to every soul;
Clouds and rain, as sun, are needed
To make up the perfect whole.

You will cease all useless struggle
For the baubles which, if gained,
Would but prove a sad delusion,
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Strive but for the pure and noble
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Then, no matter where the sun lies,
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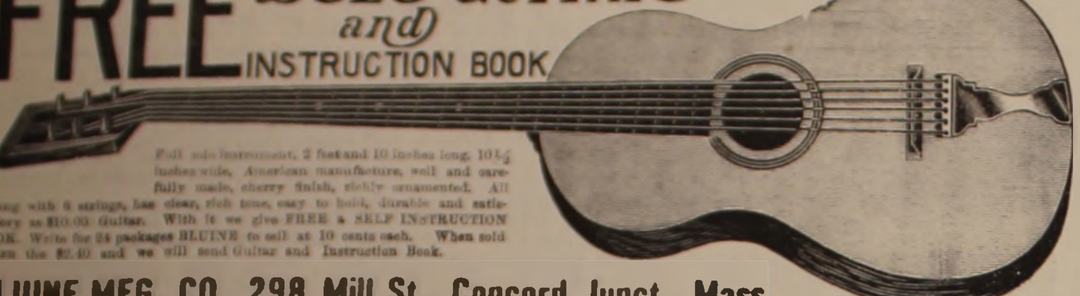

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Trials, sorrows, disappointments are the educators. They are blessings in disguise. They make us think; they draw us out of the whirl of sensual pleasures and the disposition to become careless or too satisfied with material conditions.

The people who seem to be favorites of Fortune, are really to be pitied. They live as does the butterfly—thoughtless, selfish, useless lives. Yet, they feel a vague haunting and uneasiness. It is the inevitable call of the Law, a call to think and act. Usually they plunge deeper into the treadmill of pleasure-chasing to stifle and forget the call of the higher self. But in the certain machinery of the universe, their day of reckoning must come and somehow their lessons must be learned.

But for trials and sorrows, how many would think or progress spiritually? In spite of the fact that they admit that "the things which are seen are temporal and the things which are not seen are eternal." When everything goes along placidly and in routine satisfactory to us, how apt we are to drift with the tide and to travel along the lines of least resistance. Forgetting even to be thankful; slighting the promptings of the soul, trying to ignore that haunting which the unlived part of our lives must bring to us.

And while so many forget God while the stream of life runs smoothly, how few fail to appeal to God when in trouble or distress. Yes, it seems easier to be beggars than to be thanksgivers. And yet, of all human offerings the Lord loveth the thankful heart.

Ofttimes a brother or sister is visited with sorrow and suffering and realizes the lessons that came therewith. Frequently the loss of one mutually dear, will reunite estranged hearts, re-establish divided homes and lead the vision to the Throne of Grace.

Many sad letters come to me from bereaved ones who have thus been awakened to the fact that they had been living in Vanity Fair or proceeding otherwise through life year after year, without the progress of their souls.

One sister writes as follows: "Benevolent Brother—I have had a severe struggle with myself. Three months ago, there passed out of my life, *my other self*, one of the best husbands that ever existed—not alone in my estimation but in that of everyone that knew him. He died suddenly.

"What I want to tell you is this. Ten minutes after his death, as his body lay on the bed, I looked in a dazed condition and seemed to awaken with a start. I had a revelation that God had called him home to bring me back to Him as I seemed to be straying farther each day.

"I had thought I was the most neglected and overworked person living. In my discontent I even forgot to pray. After his body was laid away I realized what I had and *what I might have had* if I had only been grateful and seen clearly.

"I began to reproach myself to such an extent that I thought I had no right to live, and yet, was not fit to die. Kind folks would talk to me, which was welcome at first. Finally they began to annoy me.

"Then I came across a copy of the MAGAZINE OF MYSTERIES in which you talked to me just as I needed.

"Although I do suffer remorse and will, I dare say, until the end, you have lifted me out of darkness into dawn. I will endeavor to spread your good work. The best way in which I can show my gratitude is to include you in my prayers which you have taught me." B.

After bereavement, we who are left behind can strive to live so that we may be blessings while on earth and meet our loved ones on a high spiritual plane when we have been called hence.

I may say that I am delighted with the Magazine. It is very instructive and shows much spiritual light.

It should be more widely read among the Christian community and non-Christians. I shall always take it in, when I have the means to get it.

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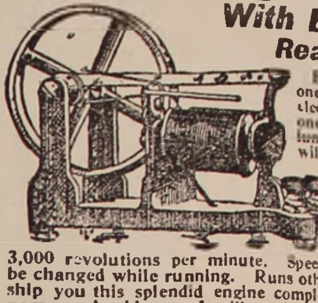

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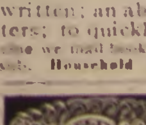

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BY WILDIE THAYER

'Twas the eve after Christmas, two angels returning
From their journey to earth to bright heaven above,
Conversed in low voices. Said one to the other:
"In vain have I sought for a shadow of Love."
Then whispered the other sweet angel in answer:
"I find the same spirit on earth as of old.
The love that was born with our glorious King Jesus
Still fills the fair earth with its power untold."

YOU see each angel saw what she was looking for, what she expected to see, for no matter how much you may seek to find a treasure unless you expect to find it you seek in vain.

Love is still here, since it came here in the form of God, for being identical with God and Life, Love is deathless and omnipresent. Seek Love by carrying the love-light in your eye, the love key in your hand and the love spirit in your whole body, and you shall find it, since it will be identical with yourself, as you are made in the image of your Creator, who is Love itself.

First, be at peace with all, have good-will toward all, for "Peace" and "Good-will" were the titles of the angels' songs on the night when Jesus was born. From Peace and Good-will was born Love. 'Tis ever thus. When Good-will fills the earth then there will be peace triumphant and Love will brighten the earth and every eye shall see God.

The season of the birthday of Christ, called Christmas, is always a season of good-will and love. At this time Happiness is the fairy which with magic rose colors brightens every cheek and with the gleam of sun-dipped wand sparkles every eye. At this time is realized as at no other time the truth of the words, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

The great gift of God to the world was His son Jesus. He gave us the wonderful Love gift for our first and forever Christmas present. The gift we may give to others by living as the Christ lived, kindly, tenderly, sympathetically, lovingly. The gift to those we love of a loving spirit is worth more than any gift bought with silver or gold.

So do not repine though you cannot give rich gifts of priceless worth to your loved ones, the gift is bare without the giver, and no friend whose love is worth while would want friends to deprive themselves of necessary things in order to make a present. A word of love, a little card with a printed message of remembrance, just a letter for Christmas, how precious these gifts, since they express the Love spirit, the Christ spirit, the true Christmas spirit.

This year instead of giving gifts to return favors to those who remembered you last year, instead of giving your special friends presents which are not at all necessary to remind them of your regard, why not give real Christmas presents? Every gift carry first to the humble manger of the loving Christ. Ask Him to bless it and give so that his Love will be realized by those who have too little brightness.

Seek out some poor child who needs something to wear, seek out some home where a Christmas dinner would seem like a direct manifestation of God's grace, give where gifts are not expected, and do not let the receiver know who gives. It is such fun; the butcher and grocer and clothier will never tell and you will hug your joy to your heart and present yourself with the richest Christmas gifts. Ask several of your friends to join in making this Christmas the brightest ever to the needy ones about you and to yourselves. Don't give where gifts are not needed. Just a card of remembrance will do for those who understand how you love them, and a gift given just because someone gave you something is unworthy of the name of Christmas.

Give the birds a Christmas treat. There are many poor hungry little feathered friends about us at Christmas time; they will appreciate a few crumbs scattered for love and kindness' sake, and "inasmuch as ye do it to the least" of God's living creatures ye do it unto Him.

Make Christmas more than a gift-receiving time for the children. Tell them the meaning of Christmas, teach them to love the Christ for whom the blessed season is named. Tell them the true story of the wonderful Santa Claus, tell them so they will comprehend that Santa Claus is the Love spirit, and real, more real than any old man's body can be, because spirit is the reality. Tell them that the spirit of Love is old, older than the world, and that is why Santa Claus as he is pictured is always old and gray and kind. Tell them the reindeer means that the vehicle with which Love travels is faster than any other carriage and that Love goes where it pleases unheeding chimneys or any other hindrances. So will the wonderful story of Santa Claus be a real true story to the child and Christmas be dearer than ever to the childish heart.

God gave us the best heaven held for our first eternal Christmas gift. So must we give the best we have, the Christ spirit in us. We must give our Love emblems, gifts of the spirit: sympathy, gentle words, smiles and kindness. And the material gifts we present should but be symbols of the spirit underneath. To give a gift at Christmas merely for form's sake, unaccompanied with the Love spirit, is to profane the name of Christ, for this is his special time, his birthday, the day we remember his coming to earth, the great first Christmas gift of heaven to earth.

Here, then, is my Christmas wish for you, dear reader.

I would be glad if God's love for you could always be expressed in flowers, sunshine and an untroubled sea, but I wish for you more than this.

Even though thorns wound you, I would have your path fragrant with the blossoms of Contentment and Cheer.

I would have you strong with that Courage which sees in the darkest cloud the promise of God's love and ceaseless care.

I wish for you that great calm of soul which comes even in the deep waters of affliction from the Master's "Peace, be still."

May you have the pureness of heart and the childlike trust which wins the vision of the King, the faith which sees the rose in the root and the wisdom to follow the Hope-star which leads to the all-conquering humble Christ.

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The jest which makes our weakness plain;
  The darling plan o'erturned;
The careless touch upon our pain;
  The slight we have not earned.
The rasp of care, dear Lord, to-day,
  Lest all those fretting things
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  The heart that trusts and sings.

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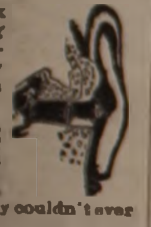

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FOR THE SILENT BROTHERHOOD

Thought to be held at 12 M.

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to men."
—Luke ii, 14.

Thought to be held at 9 P. M.

"But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart."
—Luke ii, 19.

This is our key for the Christmas month. GLORY TO GOD! What an uplifting sense of joy, of expansion, of far-reaching light the word glory brings! Glory in this world can only be a reflection of the illimitable glory, yet to say the word, to think it, best of all to feel it, brings a heavenly rapture that makes the earth heavenly. Try saying this text in sections, dwelling first on GLORY, then IN THE HIGHEST. Do you see how the words lead naturally to God? If you glory, that is, turn the light on the highest you KNOW you will find God. The highest is Love, Love is the tangible, human word-garment for the wondrous Presence of the Father. The moment you realize God as Love, that moment peace comes to your earth, and good will goes out to all men. The Angels in your heart (the white-winged thoughts born of peace and good will) carry the message afar to the outskirts of your kingdom, to the friends, acquaintances, to the sick and weary, to the yearning, homeless and hungry, yes, to ALL who may be able to catch the chorus sent from the heaven of your heart.

Oh, Brothers, do you not see what a glorious Christmas-tide this means to you and yours? Let the angels sing in your heart: GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND ON EARTH PEACE, GOOD WILL TO MEN. Then with your lips take up the words, and verily will you know such a Christ day as you never knew before, and ere you are aware the Christ Child will reign in your heart and life.

This for the noon-time, but forget not that at night when the hour comes you will be equally faithful in the holding of the evening text: BUT MARY KEPT ALL THESE THINGS AND PONDERED THEM IN HER HEART.

At first you may say, What has this to do with me? But listen. It is necessary that you should take the Christ story and ponder over it; yes, over EVERY DETAIL until, like Mary, you can be silent. It is in this thoughtful silentness that revelation comes, and if you would keep the avenues of your mind open to all the glory of the Christ Child's coming you must be able to be silent and ponder over the wonderful prophecy that is first a hope and then a privilege, the prophecy that a child is born who shall be a Savior.

Put these two Christmas texts together, dear hearts, and LIVE them until the Child lives in YOU. Behold, herein is the great mystery, which, though plain, will remain hidden until you have awakened to KNOW the truth that shall make you free.

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND ON EARTH PEACE, GOOD WILL TO MEN. PONDER THESE THINGS!

A Christmas Lesson

'Twas Christmas-tide, the shops had taken
  on their very gala dress.
 And into one a little maiden passed
To see what she liked best.

When looking up upon a line she spied a
  dolly, decked so fine, with furbelows, and little hat,
And muff and all combined.

"Oh, my!" she cried, "I must have that,
Oh, do, give me this doll."
Her father smiled, and drew his child
  along.

The little one was grieved, and sad, and
  pouted all the way,
"Oh, why," she said unto herself, "why
  can't I have my way?

"He does not even answer me, I am not
  heard at all,"
But all the while her father heard
And in his loving heart,
He thought, "what joy I'll give to her
As we pass farther on."

For he had seen a doll more fair
 And clothed in better dress,
He only wished to give her more
 And have her joy, not less.

And thus it is we often are dissatisfied
  and sad,
Because we do not have our way with
  earthly toys made glad.

The Father sees much farther on
And leads His child and gives it far more
  happiness than the inferior thing.

And thus we think we are not heard
Because He does not give the thing asked
  for.
Oh, what conceit we have to think that
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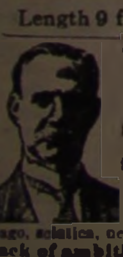

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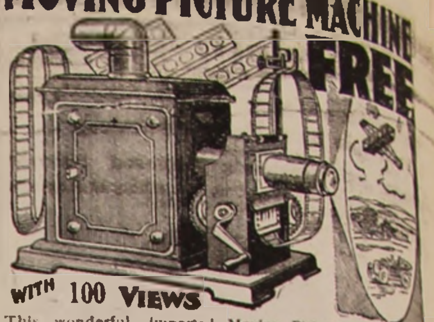

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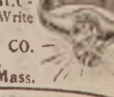

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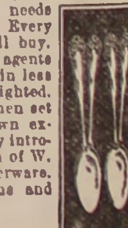

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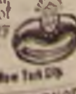

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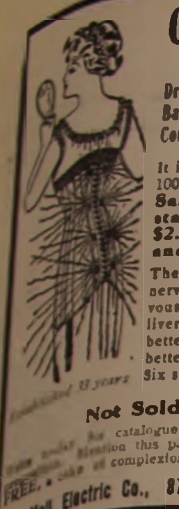

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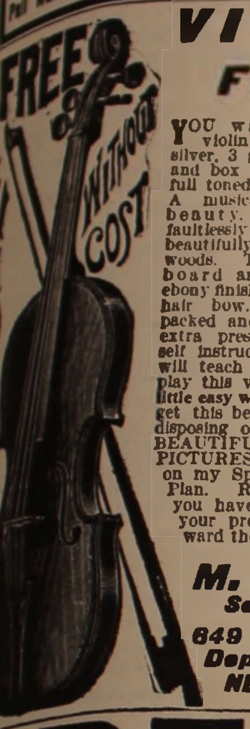

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Shall proclaim peace evermore.

Haste, oh, haste, and gather quickly
Tune all hearts into this band,
With the ties of love to bind us
In the Brotherhood of Man.

LUELLA E. EASTWOOD.

Courage

Have courage, brother, to start anew,
Though Life's journey looks dark to you,
Have courage to face the world once more
With love in your heart, that is deep and pure.

He came to the hearts that were in deep sorrow
And bade them think not of to-day,
But cheerfully, cheerfully, think of to-morrow.
And Hope for God's Golden Day.

Try to be happy, and cheerful by hoping,
Instead of in sorrow to repine.
By listening to God and His teachings,
And by making His works thine.

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Thoughts which helped me.

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Dear friends, do you ever
Feel the bitter pangs of doubt.
Thinking what God has promised
That He will not carry out?

Just think of the precious promise
Of our Master dear in heaven:
"Whatsoever in my name ye ask
The same to you shall be given."

By friends we are often tempted,
And yielding we believe,
That friends of this earth
Will ne'er, ne'er deceive.

At last horrid deception
Has played on us his part,
And left us possessing only
A sad and broken heart.

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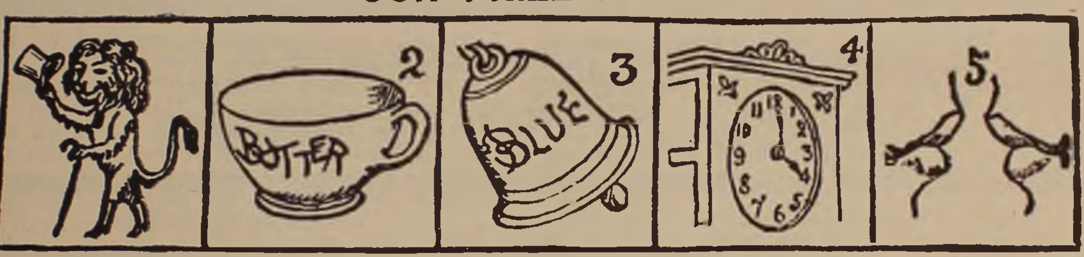

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Have courage to say, No, when temptations come,
And never more will there be room
For sin to come, to curse your days,
For God will lead you in other ways.

Yes, God will lead thee in pastures green,
Beside the still waters, away from sin,
And o'er your life sweet peace shall fall,
And your Father will help you to conquer all.

For He knoweth your life, and loves you still.
He judges not as man. Just do His will,
And trust, and ask Him every day
To guide you on your earthly way.

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11. *For other foundations can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.*
16. *Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?*
17. *If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.*
23. *And ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's.—I Corinthians, iii.*

MRS. F. J. GOODALE,
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Hope

Hope, like a bright guardian Angel of Love,
Came to this earth from above,
Came at midnight like a ray of sunlight,
Like a beautiful, bright ray of Love.

To whom, then, must we go
With all our trouble and grief,
Hoping to find in an instant
A comforting and sweet relief?

To Jesus we will surely go
Our awful heartaches to reveal,
He does all our weakness know
And will all our sickness heal.

MONNIE SCARBOROUGH,
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In the school of life a task is set and the Master walks away,
We think he has forgotten and we forget and play.
The task lies there unheeded, sometimes, maybe for years,
The Master has not forgotten we find midst our blinding tears.

The dear God is too mighty to hurt us,
His love for us all too great.
We only are small and restless, returning that love with hate.
For when the lessons are ended and He sends us "home" in peace,
We know then the Heart Eternal and what He meant to teach.
It's only by living quite near Him we hear the voice divine.
It's only when we pass onward we know that His thine is mine.
Wayward and weary, I sadly longed for rest.

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Kindness

"What is the real good?"
I asked in musing mood.
"Order," said the court;
"Knowledge," said the school;
"Truth," said the wise man;
"Love," said the maiden;
"Beauty," said the page;
"Freedom," said the dreamer;
"Home," said the sage;
"Equity," said the seer.
Spake my heart full sadly,
"The answer is not here."
Then within my bosom
Softly this I heard:
"Each heart holds the secret:
'Kindness' is the word."

British Weekly

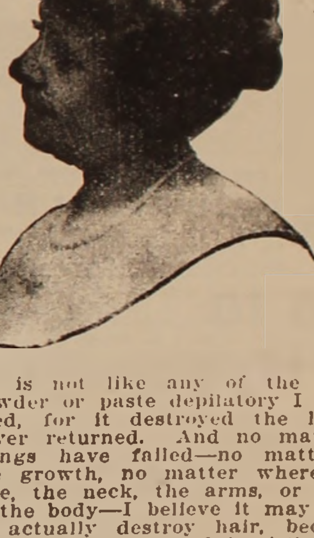
SUPERFLUOUS HAIR NOW EASY TO CURE

Society Leader Tells How Famous English Chemist's New Home Method Completely Destroyed Her Superfluous Hair, Never to Return.

Women who are despairing because they have tried all manner of things without success to remove a disfiguring growth of Superfluous Hair on the face, neck or arms will be delighted to hear that a famous English Professor of Chemistry has made public a new scientific method, whereby "Hairy arms" can be made a thing of the past, and all disfiguring growths on face or neck forever banished from sight.

One of those who have been entirely cured is Mrs. Kathryn Jenkins, a prominent Society lady of Scranton, Pa., who resides at the fashionable Duckworth Apartments in that city and who has no personal interest in the preparation or in the Society introducing it.

As there are probably few women afflicted with a blemish of this kind who have not wasted their money on one or many of the worthless concoctions advertised so widely, but which utterly fail in their purpose, and as the very desire of women to get rid of so disfiguring a blemish has resulted in all sorts of alluring but useless offers (most of them in the guise of feminine "sympathy"), Mrs. Jenkins has volunteered to make public the details of her complete cure. She says:



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Talks with Brother Servator

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Peace Be to the House

GOLDEN RULE.—O. H. M. The Golden Rule is the very kernel of religion. In fact, when this rule is lived by all, the earth will be ideal. And without its individual observance can no community be perfect. Moreover, the sooner the jarring creeds cease bickering over petty, unimportant differences of interpretation and opinion, the sooner will the true, all-inclusive religion raise mankind into our high estate.

So many gods, so many creeds,
So many paths that wind and wind;
While just the art of being kind
Is all the sad world needs.

All the nations have the Golden Rule in some form. The Great Master expressed it thus:

All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them.

Others have it as follows:

Do as you would be done by.—Persian.

Do not that to a neighbor which you would take ill from him.—Grecian.

What you would not wish done to yourself, do not unto others.—Chinese.

One should seek for others the happiness one desires for oneself.—Buddhist.

He sought for others the good he desired for himself.—Egyptian.

Let none of you treat his brother in a way he himself would dislike to be treated.—Mohammedan.

Trust Fully.—Clara K. My sister, so many of you do not trust enough. Your faith is not a *living, creative* faith. You can attain. You WILL attain. The promises are for you. And every promise is built upon four pillars: God's justice and holiness, which will not suffer Him to deceive; His grace or goodness, which will not suffer Him to forget: His truth, which will not suffer Him to change; His power, which makes Him able to accomplish.

Your Daily Life.—C. D. T. When you are doing the thing that is right, which God wants you to do, you are to go straight ahead putting in the best there is in you, and, having done that, calmly leave the rest to God. He has all the money and all the time and all the power there is, and at the right moment will send along His servant and do the thing you have been praying for, if you never consciously asked, but just kept doing. Probably you did both; they go together.

Your Own Harvest.—M. L. P. We are building our own futures. What we send out returns to us. And, people who sow no joy are first to complain when they reap none.

LIFE and Opportunity.—A M. S. The Puritans, the spiritual dyspeptics, Zola, Sudermann, D'Annunzio, Gorki, Tolstoi and whoever else has written, of life as a gloom, a groan, a tragedy, and a defeat, are wrong. They are just as wrong now as the hermits and starving anchorites were wrong a thousand years ago. I do not say that they have no truth in their philosophies, but the morbid cast they fling upon life is false, as everything sickly is false.

We are here for a purpose. Life is healthy, fecund, full of opportunities and joys. Every spring with its burst of bloom and leafage, every child at play, every pair of lovers hand in hand in the moonshine, every full-hearted mother among her babies, every hearty man and woman, every bird singing, all these, the hum and flash and fragrance of life's throbbing dynamics, give the lie to those who hug gloom and sorrow.

It is a lying art that makes death (a moment's pang) stain the white tissue of all one's days. Life is good, sweet, rich, and strong. We feel it in sunny Shakespeare, sanest of all lords of letters. Health, and not disease, is the truth.

The "grand, gloomy, and peculiar" soul is perilously near a humbug. Please God, I will live my years with my face to the light, meeting the mystery of the unknown in my own heart and in the universe with cheerful faith, and confront the passing over called death the best I can when I come to it. For somewhere in the heart of joy is the truth, and in the first cause of every sorrow is a mistake.

A Prayer.—C. N. A. The act of prayer opens your soul to an inrush of the Divine Spirit and makes you realize Oneness with the All-Father-Mother-God. What a privilege, dear friends! And how often do you benefit yourself in this way? I have been asked to give a prayer. Here is one which anyone, of any creed or no creed, may use in loving faith and trust:

Our Father-Mother-God: Unto Thee we come for comfort and consolation and peace, knowing none have ever sought Thee in vain. Roll from our hearts the burden of fears for the future and regrets for the past which hamper our best efforts in the present. Grant that each may hear and heed Thy call. Open our eyes to new visions of Thy love and mercy attending us all along our way, and as we feel the infilling of Thy love and Thy blessed Spirit of Peace may we show forth Thy loving-kindness in words and works of good-will unto all Thy great human family. Help us to rise above the level of our past temptations, and fit us for higher joy and better service in coming days that we may know at last the eternal joys that await us around Thy throne.

The Ultimate Good.—John S. Look ahead a little. No need to despair. If ever a man was justified in turning with tragic hopelessness away from the human race, it was Jesus of Nazareth. Why did He not give us up? The answer is, Because He knew what was in man. Because underneath the man of lust and murder and treachery He saw another man who cannot be given up. He knew the passion of the Prodigal, the passion which led him from his father's house into every iniquity; but He also knew that in the Prodigal there was a deeper passion which, if awakened, would lead him from among the swine back to the life where he belonged, He knew the disloyal cowardice of Peter who would stand like a rock in the storm. He looked out from His Cross upon a jeering multitude, symbol of the vaster multitude who forever jeer and crucify the good, and there He performed His supreme miracle. He believed in them. He saw through the darkness and through the whirlwind of evil passion the real multitude, whose deepest law, whose deepest necessity, is that they shall be loyal to each other and to their Father in Heaven.

OUR Habits.—J. D. B. To form good habits is one of our most sacred, personal duties. In the conduct of life, habits count for more than maxims, because habit is a living maxim, become life and action. To reform one's maxims is nothing; it is but to change the title of the book. To learn good habits is everything, for it is to reach the substance of life. Life is but a tissue of habits.

To-Day. To-Day.—E. L. S. The lesson of the past is how to live to-day. We cannot change the past. Nor need we view it with mere empty, idle regret. The dear ones passed on. The father, the mother, the sister, brother, husband, wife or friend who have crossed the great and silent river of Death. Would that we had been a little more kind, a little more loving, had let them know, while God gave us the blessing of their presence, how we *did* love, *did* appreciate and value them. And the lesson is to live and love our own to-day, to make the most of the present moment which is OURS. You can revisit those scenes of childhood or early manhood and womanhood and while they will have changed because *you* have changed too, you can see where you might have been more gentle and tolerant and affectionate—made others happier and been happier yourself in consequence. Francis Huston's poem, "Years Ago," brings back thrilling and tender memories. And years later, to-day's memories will also be tender and thrilling. Let us be able to look back upon them with less sorrow and more satisfaction. Just by reason of life's lessons which we have learned and profited by.

I've wandered to the village, Tom, I've sat beneath the tree,
Upon the schoolhouse playground, that sheltered you and me;
But none were left to greet me, Tom: and few were left to know,
Who played with us upon the green some twenty years ago.

The grass is just as green, Tom: barefooted boys at play
Were sporting, just as we did then, with spirits just as gay.
But the "master" sleeps upon the hill, which, coated o'er with snow,
Afforded us a sliding-place some twenty years ago.

The spring that bubbled 'neath the hill, close by the spreading beech,
Is very low—'twas then so high that we could scarcely reach;
And, kneeling down to get a drink, dear Tom, I started so,
To see how sadly I am changed since twenty years ago.

My lids have long been dry, Tom, but tears came to my eyes;
I thought of her I loved so well, those early broken ties;
I visited the old churchyard, and took some flowers to strew
Upon the graves of those we loved some twenty years ago.

Our Responsibility.—D. D. M. As we grow in capacity and understanding, more opportunity, greater responsibilities and increased stewardship are given to us. Friends, do not fret and chafe at your present limitations. They are only temporary. I have lived in various parts of the globe, in deserts, jungles and mountain solitudes, wondering what I was to be led unto, yet studying, learning, striving to do my best. And gradually the way opened until now I talk to three or four hundred thousand people regularly and to the uttermost ends of the earth. My mission is to give aid and counsel, and for anything I can do I take no fees nor payment of any kind. This is one of the rules of my Brotherhood. Another rule is to do the work for the work's sake and not to risk developing a vainglorious spirit by publishing my picture or obtrude advertising of my personality. And the responsibility is great. For instance, one reader writes from Europe, quoting de Musset in his own language:

"Brother Servator:

"Je ne sais ou va mon chemin, Mais je marche mieux quand ma main terre la tienne."

THE Change of Sentiment.—T. L. T. Our religion expands and grows as we progress mentally and spiritually. To-day many of us appreciate religion as a gospel of Love and Charity and Help. How different from the old, horrible ideas of brimstone, hell-fire and torture of those who did not agree with our ideas. Take John Calvin, for instance—at one time considered a great and good man, so much so that the creed of Calvinism was practically founded by him.

A Question for You.—Dear friend reading this page, I want you to answer a question. In my mail this morning was a letter from a brother who is troubled over a certain problem. How would you answer it? I have written to him, but I want to see what you would say. Let me know.

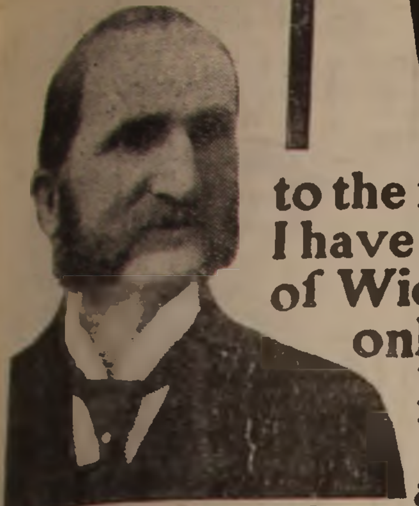
The inquirer says in his letter:

I have a homestead in Idaho, and it is worthless for anything but raising live stock. I have just sold some steers and went with them to the railroad and saw them put on the cars. And, oh, the cruelty I saw. I do believe man is the most cruel thing there is. Now, what I want to know is—is it a sin in God's sight to raise cattle to sell? I believe it is, and I would like to know what you think about it. I have worked six years to get my home and stock. I love my home and cattle and they are all I have, but to think that they are treated so when they are sold is appalling. I never eat meat if I can help it, and I believe that when we slay anything we are taking a life that is just as dear to God as we are, and that the animals are our brothers in another form and on a lower plane. And what right have we to take a life that we cannot give!

The Work at Hand.—D. H. M. I believe in doing the work at hand. Let's clean up and cultivate our own gardens before we think of meddling with the neglected gardens of those at a distance. For example, the thousands and thousands of ill-fed, slighted, abused and ill-used little ones with which our cities swarm. Verily it's a blot on our boasted civilization. Yesterday I went into the "sweat-shop" district and saw the awful sights—children working their little fingers sore, their little eyes strained, their nervous systems becoming demoralized. Employed by rich men too. Surely missionary work should be at home.

This page contains special answers to letters requesting my counsel and advice. As my correspondents come to me in confidence, no names are published.

While all are welcome to read the instruction and information given in this department, only letters from members of The Mystic Success Club can be considered for reply.



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DIABETES.

Tipton, Iowa.

Prof. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—I have a letter dated Oct. 17, 1910, when I began to take your treatment for diabetes. I must say that I am entirely well of that dreaded disease now. I have a friend that wants to take treatment with you. Please send one of your information blanks for him to fill out.

(Signed) ROMEO TRACHT.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Monroe City, Mo., March 18, 1911.

Prof. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—It is nearly a year since my son commenced and took two months' treatment from you, and he seems entirely well. Your charges are so reasonable. I have moved to Monroe City, so my address is changed from Florida, Mo., to

(Signed) MRS. FANIE O. DANIEL,
Monroe City, Mo.

LIVER TROUBLE.

Heber Springs, Ark., April 6, 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—Yours at hand and noted in regard to your treatment, and will say in reply I find it all you claim for it and it has brought me out all O. K. I have left it off for two weeks, and will not need any more after that is gone.

I thank you very kindly for what you have done for me, and will refer others to you when I know they are in need of treatment. Thanking you again, I am

Most respectfully yours,
(Signed) JAS. H. BRINK, Heber Springs, Ark.

LIVER TROUBLE.

Edinburgh, Miss., June 29, 1911.

Prof. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—From neglect I have not written you which should have been done some time ago to let you know how I am getting along. I feel all right, and I haven't lost a day's work out of my crop since I commenced your treatment. I have gained 30 pounds. I thought I would hold up a while and see if my health was good; if not, will know where to get more.

Now, you may be sure I will help you all I can. Thanking you many times for the good you have done me, I am,

Your friend,
(Signed) P. P. MOONEY, Edinburgh, Miss.

HEART AND CATARRH.

Eldorado Springs, Mo., June 22, 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—Your treatment has done the work for me and my son. I do my work without any trouble since I took your remedy. It has done me more good than all the doctors and drugs in my life. Should you need my sworn testimony, you can have it freely.

Yours truly,
(Signed) MR. M. SAXER,
R. D. No. 3, Eldorado Springs, Mo.

DIABETES AND BLADDER TROUBLE.

Caldwell, Kas., Aug. 21, 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—The first of April I received from you three boxes for a three months' course of treatment. I was at the time suffering (and had been for months) with severe diabetes and bladder trouble in their worst form. Only those who realize what this disease is can understand how almost hopeless it is. In a few days I felt that it had begun to improve; my system began to respond to your treatment, and the third month I feel that I am entirely cured.

Yours truly,
(Signed) MRS. R. W. LIGGETT, Caldwell, Kas.

HEART TROUBLE.

Rosedale, Ind., Sept. 5, 1911.

Prof. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Kind Sir:—I should have written you long ago, but I have been feeling fine and doing all of my work. I can walk two miles now where I could not walk across the room when I wrote you, and I cannot say too much of what you have done for me. If I need your assistance again I will surely write you.

(Signed) AMANDA GRINDLE,
R. R. No. 3, Box No. 134, Rosedale, Ind.

RHEUMATISM.

National Soldiers' Home, Tenn., April 11, 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Prof. Samuels:—I do not need any more of your great medicine for I feel that I am well again. It has cured me of many ills. May you prosper and be happy.

Yours sincerely,
(Signed) RICHARD C. M. BURTON,
National Soldiers' Home, Tenn.

KIDNEY TROUBLE.

Santa Cruz, Cal., Aug. 28, 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—I stopped taking your medicine sometime ago because my kidneys no longer troubled me, and am still feeling fine.

Gratefully yours,
(Signed) LOUISE MUSSE,
14 Keystone Ave., Santa Cruz, Cal.

NEURALGIA.

Taylorside, Sask., Canada.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—I have to thank you for the great benefit I have received from your wonderful treatment. I had been bad for a long time, and now after taking one bottle of your treatment I feel that I am completely cured. I remain,

Yours sincerely,
(Signed) MRS. AGNES WARE.

CATARRH AND BRIGHT'S DISEASE.

Roscommon, Mich., April 25, 1911.

Prof Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—Your letter duly received, and I must say that your treatment hit the right spot, and I feel like a new man, and do not think I will have to have any more now for a while; and I am thanking you ever so much for your kindness. Hoping that everything may go well with you, I remain. As ever yours,

(Signed) D. F. EDMONSON, Roscommon, Mich.

KIDNEY AND LIVER.

Spenceville, Cal., June 21, 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—I write now to tell you that I think I am cured after taking three months' treatment.

I have been sick with kidney and liver trouble for eight years, and for sixteen months have not been able to stand on my feet, but now the doctor says I am a cured man, and I sincerely thank you for what you have done for me and if I should need more medicine at any time I will let you know. Wishing you all the success, I remain,

Yours truly,
(Signed) J. W. PITTMAN,
Spenceville, Nevada Co., Cal.

NERVOUSNESS.

Escondido, Cal., Sept. 3, 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Friend:—I will write you a few lines to say that I am improving fast, and I wish to state that your treatment I know has done wonders in building up my nerves and helping the catarrh in my head, and in fact, I am much better every way since commencing it, though I have had to use it a long time, but now I think I can get along without it.

I wish to thank you for your kindness in sending me the treatment so long, but I certainly was a wreck when I began. It certainly has been a great benefit to me, and as you already know, A. W. Henderson, my brother is responsible for my using the treatment. I wish you success and long life, with God's blessing,

Yours truly,
(Signed) MRS. M. E. SMITH, Escondido, Cal.

NERVOUSNESS.

Snohomish, Wash., Sept. 3, 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—I think I am cured well enough so I can get along without medicine. The last month's treatment has done it all right, for which I send you my best wishes and thanks.

Respectfully yours,
(Signed) CHARLES FEYL,
R. No. 4, Snohomish, Wash.

GENERAL TROUBLE.

Gibbs, Mo., Sept. 9, 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—On receipt of your letter, will say I neglected to write to you when I finished treatment. I felt I was cured and didn't need but the three months' treatment. I don't feel any more of those old ailments I used to have, but I think my age has begun to work on me, and if I need any more treatment at any time for that, you can be sure I will try yours again. I know now it will cure diseases.

My daughter, Mrs. Swindig of Colorado, is taking your treatment now and says she is so much better. My neighbors are both better by taking same, and my brother-in-law says he would not take $500.00 for what good it has done him. I can only say I thank Prof. Samuels for my cure and give God the glory for it all.

(Signed) MRS. J. W. MARTIN, Gibbs, Mo.

CONSUMPTION AND KIDNEY TROUBLE.

Orange Park, Fla., Sept. 10th, 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—My wife was almost at death's door with Consumption and Kidney Trouble. She has just taken one month's course of your treatment and it has performed miracles. She says she is well, and is apparently. The cough and spitting have all gone, and her kidneys are in a normal condition.

It is certainly marvelous what a change in a short time. I think she should have another month's treatment, but she says not. May you live many, many years more to do the good work. I will recommend all sick people to you.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) HIRAM BURGESS, Orange Park, Fla.

RHEUMATISM AND DEAFNESS.

Hartman, Ark., Feb. 2, 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels.

Dear Sir:—I received a month's treatment from you on the 30th of January for my wife, and she has been using it since as you directed and it is helping her. She was helpless with rheumatism and now she can go about the place where she pleases and has gained eight pounds in weight. She was almost deaf and now she can hear common talk. I think by the time she uses up the treatment that she will be entirely well. I had two doctors with her and they both said they could do her no good.

Thanking you most kindly for what you have done for her, I am, Yours very truly,

(Signed) P. H. MORGAN, Hartman, Ark.

KIDNEY TROUBLE.

Roby, Fisher County, Tex., Sept. 14th, 1911.

Prof. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—I will write to inform you of the success of your two months' treatment for Kidney Trouble and why I can truthfully say it is the most wonderful thing on earth to know of your good work, for I know I was not able to do a day's work and now I can do as much work as any man, but if I feel like I need another month's treatment I will send at once.

I assure you I am doing all I can to get others to take your treatment that I know are suffering. Wishing you God-speed in your wonderful work, I am,

Very truly yours,
(Signed) J. M. MILLER, Roby, Fisher Co., Tex.

NOW ABLE TO DO A DAY'S WORK.

Pollock, La., May 21, 1910.

Prof. Samuels.

Sir:—After thanking you for your kindly interest in my welfare, would say that I have grown so much better under your treatment that I am able to do a good day's work and will wait a month or two to see how it will last.

Respectfully yours,
(Signed) D. N. BRAKEFIELD, Pollock, La.

KIDNEY AND STOMACH TROUBLE.

Bruce, S. D., Oct. 23, 1910.

Prof. Samuels.

Dear Sir:—I received your letter quite a few days ago, but have put off answering it.

I am certainly very thankful to you for the good and great benefit I have derived from the use of the treatment prescribed by you. What I suffered before I commenced to take your method of treatment is beyond me to describe. The comfort I have now in living and being able to go about and enjoy my food and drink as others do, is simply wonderful. I extend to you my sincere thanks.

Very gratefully and respectfully,
MRS. WILLIAM HOFFMAN, Bruce, S. Dak., R. No. 2.

HEART DISEASE 25 YEARS.

Cloud Chief, Ok., Aug. 25, 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—In reply to your letter just received, I will say your wonderful treatment through the eye has cured me of heart disease of twenty-five years standing, also stomach trouble, constipation and nervousness of the worst kind. I am in better health than I have been for thirty-two years. I can eat anything, and can sleep so well and restful.

I would advise anyone with heart trouble, constipation and nervousness to try your remedy for it will sure cure. I haven't words to express my appreciation to you for what it has done for me. I would not accept all the riches of the world and be placed back like I was when I commenced your grand treatment. I will not send for any more now, but when I get the money I will have more for my deafness. It has helped the head noises and deafness to a great extent.

May God bless you and prolong your life to help suffering humanity, and when He calls you to your great reward, may you not let your remedy be buried with you is the sincere prayer of one of your patients.

(Signed) MRS. R. D. WARD,
R. F. D. No. 2, Cloud Chief, Ok.

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GENERAL TROUBLE.

Ft. Cobb, Ok., May 17, 1911.

Prof. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—Pardon me for not writing you sooner as I have been quite busy. My three months' treatment is past, though I am still taking it and will until it is all gone, for it has made such a wonderful change in me. I can't hardly get sleep enough nor enough to eat, and feel almost as well as I ever did. I don't begrudge the money, and I tell everyone about it as I would like to see all cured.

(Signed) MRS. A. J. CLARY,
R. No. 4, Ft. Cobb, Ok.

P. S.—Prof. Samuels, my husband says to tell you that he hasn't language to express his gratitude for the good you have done him. He certainly is praising you to everyone that mentions his treatment. He is looking well and don't cough any more. I certainly feel thankful myself.

LA GRIPPE.

Annadel, Tenn., July 5, 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—In regard to your treatment, it is all that you claim for it. My cough is gone, and I am doing my work and sleep fine. Do not think I will need any more treatment. Wishing you success, I am,

Yours truly,
(Signed) MRS. JOHN BLAKE, Annadel, Tenn.

GOITRE.

Weiser, Idaho, Sept. 5, 1911.

Professor Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—In reply to yours of recent date will say that your remedy has helped my eyes; they don't run water now if I use them a good deal. I have been doing some very fine fancy knitting since I used your treatment and find it don't tire my eyes like it used to tire them.

The pimples I was troubled with in my hair are all gone and also those on my neck. Don't send me any more of your medicine now. I still have some, and if I find I need more, I will write you.

Yours very gratefully,
(Signed) MRS. SARAH S. ANDREWS,
R. F. D No. 1, Weiser, Idaho.

CONSUMPTION.

Carrizo Springs, Tex., Aug. 16, 1911.

Prof. L. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—I will answer your letter I received a few days ago in regard to my health.

Before I began taking your treatment I was sick all the time. My stomach hurt all the time; but a short time after I began the treatment it stopped that distressing feeling. I thank you more than tongue can tell for what you have done for me. I recommend your treatment to all my friends that are sick.

(Signed) MRS. L. TEMPLER,
Box 181, Carrizo Springs, Tex.

NERVOUSNESS.

Ridgefield, Conn., Sept. 20th, 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—I received your letter quite a few days ago, but put off answering it.

I certainly am very thankful to you for the good and great benefit my daughter has derived from the use of the treatment prescribed by you. I feel confident now that she is cured of the nervous trouble. She has been having trouble with her eyes again, although they are better now. She has to go once a week for treatment for them. I didn't know but what this nervous trouble would come back, but I guess that is fully cured.

I don't feel that I can thank you enough for the good you have done, and will always remain your friend.

(Signed) MRS. LEMUEL BARRETT,
Ridgefield, Conn.

CATARRHAL DEAFNESS AND EYE TROUBLE.

Ava, Mo.

Prof Samuels.

Dear Sir:—Send R. A. Kennedy of this place two or three symptom blanks with some of your advertising matter, as he wishes to fill in the symptom blanks and send you. In my case I have been taking the treatment now about a week, and it has improved my eyes greatly. As to seeing, I have to wear glasses and could not read fine print without them. Now I can read fairly well. My cough is considerably better and it seems I can hear a little better, as I was hard of hearing. As to the bladder trouble, I can see no change as yet. Will continue treatment regular and report any change. Send me some of the advertising matter with a few symptom blanks. I can distribute them to good advantage. Yours truly,

(Signed) M. C. REYNOLDS.

PARALYSIS AND GENERAL TROUBLE.

Opelousas, La., June 21, 1910.

Prof. H. Samuels.

Dear Sir:—I have received and began taking your treatment on the 9th inst., and I am proud to say that I received beneficial results in twenty-four hours after the first dose. My eyesight has improved 100 per cent.; my pains in all my limbs have been greatly relieved. In fact all my ills are relieved. I feel altogether much better.

I desire to thank you heartily for the relief you have procured me, and hope and trust it will continue for the better, until a permanent cure is effected.

You will find inclosed names of persons affected with chronic diseases. I have also given your name and address to several other parties whom you must have heard from by this time. Thanking you again, I am

Yours gratefully,
(Signed) D. F. DUPREE, Opelousas, La., R. No. 2.

RHEUMATISM.

Buxton, Ia., Sept., 1911.

Prof. H. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—I received your letter in regard to how I am getting along. I can say I feel better since I took your treatment than I have felt for twenty-five years.

Times have been so hard that I have not been able to send, but just as soon as I can, I will send for treatment.

Yours truly,
(Signed) PHILIP G. THOMAS, Buxton, Ia.

EYE TROUBLE.

Tisdale, Sask., Canada, Sept. 14th, 1911.

Prof. Samuels, Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir:—I am very sorry that I have not written you sooner. It was my intention this last six weeks, but somehow I never seemed to get it done. We are so busy with the harvest it keeps me very busy from morning till night.

I am very pleased to say that my boy's eyes are now all right, and I don't think we will need any more treatment at present. His eyes are quite clear and bright looking, and I cannot thank you enough for your treatment. Should he ever need any more I will send for it.

Thanking you once again, I remain, yours truly,
(Signed) MRS. ROBT. WILKINSON,
Auto Rd., Tisdale, Sask., Canada.

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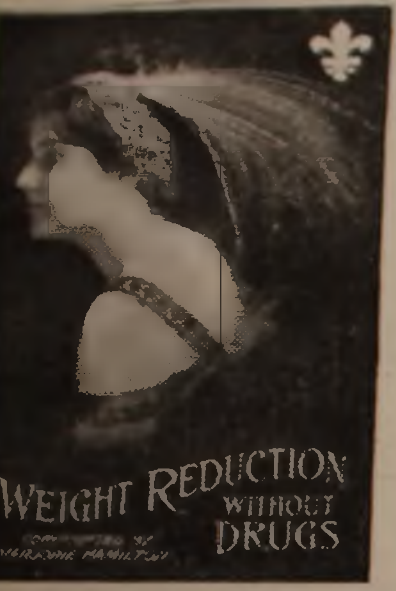

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To reduce your weight you must find the cause, you must get at the very reason.

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If you are interested in your own happiness and health and figure, you will permit me to tell you how to reduce your weight "Nature's Way."

I have printed a booklet for you entitled "Weight Reduction Without Drugs," which I am giving away without charge, prepaid to you, so that you may know of my successful method and be able to permanently reduce your weight any amount up to 70 pounds, without harmful exercises or starvation diet, drugs or medicines.

Send for my booklet, "Weight Reduction Without Drugs." It is yours for the asking, and I will be glad to send it to you, postage prepaid.

I have found that the best way to know happiness is to give it.

Sincerely your friend,
MARJORIE HAMILTON
Suite 1656, Central Bank Bldg., Denver, Col.

DREAMS AND THEIR MEANING

Dreams that Come True

Of course, most dreams are confused things which have little or no significance. But sometimes people dream of events and see every detail of incidents which come to pass months later and exactly as dreamed.

This makes some people realize that the future, or at least a part of it, is all settled and fixed. And they wonder in how much or in how little we are free agents on the stage of life.

One of my first dreams of this kind occurred in New York City. I dreamed that I was in Chicago walking up Dearborn street when I met an old and dear friend of mine, a Mr. T., who had gone to San Francisco to live. He had been expecting to take a trip across the Pacific to Japan and the Orient generally, and the chances of his coming East were very remote indeed. In fact, neither he nor I expected it.

In my dream he greeted me on Dearborn street and we were both very surprised to see each other there as I was not expecting to go to Chicago any more than he was.

It was about six o'clock in the evening and after telling me what had brought him to Chicago so unexpectedly he said: "Mrs. T. is at her dressmaker's and will be there most of the evening, as she is getting a lot of clothes. I would like to have you dine with me if you are not otherwise engaged."

I said: "No, I have no other engagement and will be delighted to take dinner with you. Where shall we go?"

He said: "Have you ever been up to the dining-room on the top floor of the Pullman Building?"

"No, I don't even know where the Pullman Building is," I replied.

He said, "It is a restaurant conducted by the Pullman Car people and largely, I think, used to train their waiters for the Pullman car service."

We started for the building, got into the elevator and stepped out on the top floor. I saw all the details vividly in my dream and that we were taken to a table at the rear end and sat down, when my friend ordered the dinner.

A claret was soon brought to us which had an acrid and bitter taste, and I remembered it as peculiar and distinctive.

About a month later I was called to Chicago on some very unexpected business, but the dream had not entered my mind since the night I experienced it.

I called at a business building on Dearborn street, had the first interview with the parties I had come to see and started to walk up the street toward my hotel. To my great astonishment I met my friend, Mr. T., and it really was a complete surprise to me, for even then the dream did not come to my mind.

He told me that he and his wife had started East from San Francisco upon receipt of a telegram stating that his brother had been operated upon in New York City for appendicitis and was in a very serious condition. So they hurried Eastward, but upon reaching Chicago the previous day had been met with a telegram saying that the crisis was past, and the brother completely out of danger, so it was not necessary to come to New York.

Mr. T. then went on to speak of his wife being at the dressmaker's and invited me to dine with him that evening and mentioned the Pullman Restaurant.

Then my dream flashed across my mind and I realized that it was being unfolded detail by detail.

It was a peculiar sensation and kept me feeling rather queer as we stepped into the elevator and got out on the top floor at the restaurant, all the details of which were exactly as I had seen them.

I remembered the taste of that claret and said to myself that I would consider that as the final test, and it did have the acrid bitter taste just as I had experienced it in my dream fully a month before this time.

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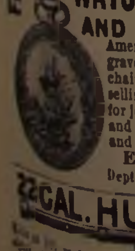

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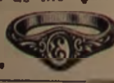

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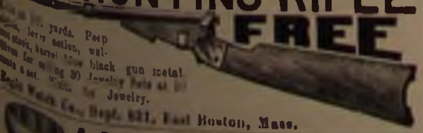

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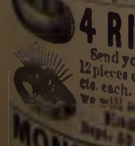

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Story of Twelfth Night

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The ingredients of the wassail—ale, sugar, nutmeg, roasted apples, and a variety of other things—was usually called *Lamb's Wool*, and the night on which it was drunk was commonly called *Wassail Eve*.

A side-light on the festive nature of Twelfth Night is cast by the revelations of St. Distaff's Day, which is the day following and Polhug Monday. The poet Herrick has given us a glimpse of the life of his time in a short poem called "St. Distaff's Day, or, The Morrow after Twelfth Day." It begins:

"Partly work and partly play
Ye must on St. Distaff's Day."

and ends:

"And next morrow, every one
To his own vocation."

The idea seems to put them in prime condition for a return to serious work, as is further shown by these lines referring to Plow Monday, which was the Monday following Twelfth Day:

"Good housewives, whom God hath enriched enough,
Forget not the feasts that belong to the plow.
The meaning is only to joy and be glad,
For comfort with labor is fit to be had."

The celebration of Twelfth Night with the elegant and costly Twelfth-cake has much declined in the last half-century. In former days the confectioners' shops were filled with cakes of all shapes and sizes for this purpose.

One of the oldest shops in London is pointed out as being established in the time of George the First by Mr. Lucas Birch, who was succeeded by his son. The sign "Birch, Birch and Company," is still over the door. The younger Birch was once Lord Mayor.

The custom of masking has come down to the present day, and in some places in England we hear of an occasional Twefth-cake and King of the Bean, and of Twelfth Night Balls or masques held here and there.

In modern Rome, the masquerading in the streets, and all the out-of-door amusements are limited to eight days, during which the grotesque maskers pelt each other with sugar plums and bouquets from the balconies, down upon the maskers, in carriages or afoot; and they in turn, pelt the company at the windows. The confetti are made of chalk and flour.

But the custom of giving masked balls on Twelfth Night is not of any material importance in our country. It simply gives an excuse for a little variety in the gaiety of the winter season, and an occasion to call a good time by another name.

Youngsters who dance at a Twelfth Night party do not know a wheatfield from a corn bin, and as for wassailing" an apple tree, a weeping-willow would likely mislead them.

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DAISY'S CHRISTMAS GIVING

By RYE JOHNSON

"MAMA," began Daisy Rud, as soon as she entered the house on her return from Sunday-school one cold December day, "the lesson to-day was all about the right kind of Christmas giving, and it has muddled me all up. The superintendent said we must not give this year just because it is the custom, but instead try to find out what the Christ Child would have us do. Then, he says, we will know what the true blessedness of giving is. He didn't mean our giving among ourselves, but what we do for the needy, I suppose? Mama, what do you think the Christ Child wants me to do? There isn't much time, and I cannot seem to think of anything. Will you tell me, mama?"

Mrs. Rud was glad to see her little girl so thoughtful—she was only eight—but she would not answer her question. Instead, she put on her things and bade Daisy come with her to make a call. This also puzzled the child, for her mama seldom made a call on Sunday.

It was cold and the walk long, but at last Mrs. Rud knocked at a little old cottage. The door was quickly opened by a little old woman in a cap and kerchief, who was very pleased to see her visitors.

Daisy could see by their actions that her mama had been there before. So while they talked she warmed herself by a tiny stove and looked curiously around.

The room was small, and everything in it was on the same scale. Even the bed—Daisy gave a great start when her gaze fell upon that, for nestling among the pillows was a curly little head, and a pair of big, black eyes were watching her closely.

"Why I didn't see you," cried Daisy, springing up and going to the bedside.

"I am Kitty Morse," said the wee invalid.

"And I am Daisy Rud," and they shook hands soberly. "Are you sick?" then asked Daisy.

"No. It's just my leg that's broke. I was running after grannie's kitten and a van ran over me. It's pretty bad and the doctor says I must lie here six weeks."

"Oh,. oh!" cried Daisy. "That's dreadful! However will you pass away the time?"

"Oh, I sing and look at my books, but I've had them so long I am awfully tired of them. Then there's the kitten, and when grannie isn't too busy she tells me stories."

"Isn't the pain pretty bad?" Daisy was surprised that Kitty could be so cheerful, for she felt sure if it was herself she should fret and cry, and be hard to amuse.

"Yes, and I cry sometimes. But that makes grannie feel so bad I try not to often."

By the time Mrs. Rud was ready to go, the little girls were fast friends, and Kitty begged Mrs. Rud to bring Daisy again.

"Mama," began the child when they had walked a long way in silence. "Does the Christ Child want me to do something for poor Kitty?"

"That is for you to decide."

"I might hunt her up some old story books."

"Daisy!" Mrs. Rud's tone was stern. "Did you not see how old and worn everything is that Kitty has?"

"Yes'm," and Daisy hung her head.

"Could you have the heart to offer her anything more of that sort! Don't you think—"

"Oh, mama, please, I will think. I truly will," interrupted the child, dreading the reproof she felt she deserved.

So Mrs. Rud said no more, and waited to see what the child would do. All the week Daisy was very quiet and thoughtful, but the day before Christmas came to her mama with a bright, happy face, and began in her usual way:

"Mama, you know I found out I am to have a new doll for Christmas?"

Mrs Rud nodded.

"Well, Lady Lee I got last year is just as nice as ever, so I have made up my mind to give the new one to Kitty, if you are willing. And I'll give her that roll of silks and laces auntie gave me for doll clothes, and I'll give her my 'Eight Cousins' and 'Rose in Bloom.'"

"And you will not be sorry afterward?" asked the mother, surprised yet pleased at her child's sweet sacrifice.

"Oh, no," and Daisy's face fairly shone with the joy of giving. "I've prayed and thought until I am sure it is what the Christ Child would have me do."

Very tenderly Mrs. Rud took the little girl in her arms, and 'mid loving kisses promised everything should be just as she wished.

So Kitty—wee, suffering Kitty—had the happiest Christmas of her short life, and Daisy will never forget the blessing which comes of right giving.

Retire into thyself. The rational principle which rules has this nature, that it is content with itself when it does what is just, and so secures tranquillity.—*M. Antoninus.*

Just Speak Kindly

Just speak kindly—yes, speak kindly
Every Human Heart must bear—.
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Bitter pain and anxious care.

Just speak kindly—yes, speak kindly.
Add not to another's woe;
For each path is strewn with briars
In Life's journey here below.

Just speak kindly—yes, speak kindly.
In your intercourse each day;
It will joy and comfort bring you,
It will help you on your way.

Just speak kindly—yes, speak kindly.
Why not cheer the fainting heart?
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Yes, it brings sweet consolation,
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Inspired Thoughts

(*Concluded from page 47*)

When shall these longings cease and peace
reign in this breast?

Then lo, before my troubled eyes the
Christ stood radiant clad.
He said: "I was not forgotten." He told
me to make life glad.
He told me: "Help spread my sunshine
on hearts more weary than thine."
And added that by so doing I was making
my own divine.

MR. G. LUCKNOW.

The Master Calls

World—oh, why are thou so buried in the
ceaseless strife of tongues
When a Being great and loving gently
brings thee Living Bread of Life?
So intent on worldly pleasure, so immersed
in worldly gain—
Think thou—are thou wise in seeking only
more in thy vain quest?
Hark! Upon the soul now, Master, pour
Thy healing.
Give the world Thy message. On the
hearts of men
So blind of understanding pour Thy light
divine.
In the light of other ages, that descends
with never waning power,
May thy stubborn will be broken. May
the gift of tongues,
The sign of ancient power, be given, that
the word of Life
May search the hearts of men.
"Sow thou in tears; in heaven shalt thou
reap in joy."
This the Master gives thee from His Word
of Life.
So live that when, in that last day, that
thou, poor spirit,
Shall be called to rest, a heavenly vision
may be shown
To thee of joy.
Then rise! A clarion call is this to thee:
"Search thou thy heart for aught of selfish
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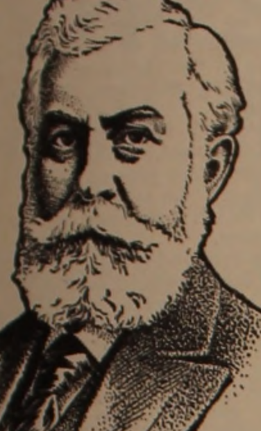

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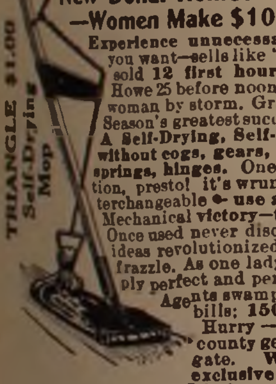

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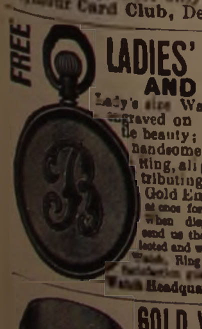

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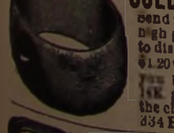

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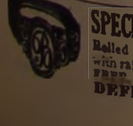

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Women in Business

By SERVATOR

NOW and then I receive a letter such as one just in from Oscar C. B., grumbling about girls and women going into business. They quote old authorities. But conditions have changed, and authority which is not adjustable or adapted to altered circumstances is merely misleading dogma.

It has become necessary for thousands and thousands of girls to engage in business What would you have them do? Starve or suffer the privations and indignities of dependency? Even if there is anyone to give them a meagre and grudging livelihood!

Then again, Brother B., some women are not suited for matrimony or designed for homes. Others haven't met the right men, nor can they accept or endure those they have come across. For, contrary to much masculine opinion, each and every man is not a prize—there are many blanks, and thank goodness women are beginning to realize this, for they have suffered much in the past through lack of such perception.

Just run mentally over the marriages you know. How many men of your acquaintance calmly regard their wives as a sort of servant, let them be overworked, overworried, neglected, and go without amusement, change or recreation. And what do their wives get for it? The doubtful privilege of helping to build a home and a competency, in which they have no positive, fixed share, a few (very few) clothes, something to eat and a shelter Could you hire help or employ a servant girl under such conditions or upon such terms? She would laugh at you, and justly so.

And such men think that the women being wives of such husbands as themselves is quite sufficient compensation. How would they feel if the positions were reversed?

Also, as competition grows keener and the struggle for existence more strenuous, an increasing number of men don't marry, saying they can't afford to Very well. According to your reasoning there's that number of women deprived of men who should support them. What are they to do? *Just what they are doing*, get good positions, do the best they can for themselves and be independent.

Life is growing more complicated every year. Surely it's not reasonable to expect that women shall continue to remain in the ox-cart period while she has to battle with modern, high-pressure conditions! It's neither manly nor rational to expect it.

My dear man, also consider this Girls and women don't always go into business because they want to. *It's because they have to.* There's an over-supply of teachers, and other avenues of employment must be entered—willingly or unwillingly.

Another point As flats and apartments have become so general in cities, there's little homework to be done in them. Consequently, the girl cannot spend her time in doing housework and sewing such as many men claim she should. Futhermore, thousands of women have to work to supplement the family income, to help sick, disabled or insufficiently paid fathers and brothers, and in lots of cases serve as the only breadwinners

Yes, my friends, every day there are good, sterling girls sacrificing their lives and youth to aid their relatives and families. It's a constant, steady heroism—far greater and nobler than the short burst of courage on a battlefield that meets with such praise and reward.

As the girls are obliged, from one cause and another, to seek new channels of employment, they are learning and qualifying at technical schools and doing it very thoroughly Take the training for a position as secretary, for example. Note what the girl learns, and if she becomes more competent and more capable and trustworthy than men applicants for such positions, what's the answer?

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As one writer says

> We keep moving forward into an era of trained women as well as trained men. The extraordinary prolongation of financial infancy in the "middle class," bringing with it an extraordinary postponement of marriage, makes this training particularly necessary in the case of the women of that class. But the contraction of the home as a field of adequate employment for daughters exists everywhere, increasing the cost of living for the family and driving daughters to supplementing the family income.
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> What futility, as well as indignity, there is in the idea that the query of support for women gets its full answer in a husband!
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> In the United States, in the year 1900, among women twenty years of age and over, the unmarried women and the widows together numbered 6,900,000. For every two women married there was one woman either single or widowed.

In conclusion, brothers who object to women going into business, your objection is merely because you haven't given the subject due thought and consideration.

By very far the greatest number of women would be home-keepers and home-makers if conditions rendered it possible. It's no pleasure for them to get up early in the morning, often with nerves exhausted, brain tired and the delicate organism positively suffering, and bustling out in all weathers, into crowded cars and pushing mobs frequently with headache and heartache as a starter for the daily toil

God bless her! She calls for our sympathy and kindness, O brothers—our understanding, our encouragement and our help The great heart of the Master throbbed in pity and compassion for all such daughters of God's great family; sisters to us in verity, and by stress of circumstance regarded by many employers as cogwheels in the machines which are to grind out dollars

I am working on a project—the establishment of a large, healthy and beautiful place which, with the Blessing, will be a powerful and permanent force for good, a righteous influence and of active service in speeding the day when the brotherhood and sisterhood of us all will be recognized and appreciated In that time will poverty cease, wrong become impossible, the soul in each come into its own and individual responsibility and consciousness shall be the dawn of universal love.

In my projected development children and the elders are duly considered, and the plans include a big, cheerful, warm-hearted building where the girl toilers may come for the vacations they need so much, where music, entertainment and recreation abound, where the brave little working sisters can have a share of the good cheer and jollity and toning up they are entitled to.

So brothers all, I end by once more stating that religion is *doing* not mere *preaching*; acting and living the good instead of only thinking it. And we are all called to help any who need it—to administer practical, uplifting aid. Work while it is yet day for the night cometh when no man can work

And what we possess temporarily, we are just stewards of—that's all—and we shall be required to give an account of our stewardship Well for us in that time will be the good seeds we have sown—the harvest from kindness and sympathy and helpfulness and love.

We can take no material gain with us across the Valley of the Shadow. But we can, we do and we WILL take over the responsibility for good or ill that comes to us with earthly possessions.

There's a wonderful significance in what Robert Shenstone had engraved on his tombstone. Think it over and realize its meaning and truth. "All I possess now is from the good I did. The only things I have are what I gave away."

A Christmas Conclusion

'Twas the day before Christmas, and all through the land,
Rang the cry of the children that none can withstand,
"Old Santa is coming, rare treasures he brings,
A pack loaded down with most wonderful things!"

But, old Santa, alas! like a mere mortal man,
To fret and to fume at his duties began—
For he had been roaming about in disguise,
And the state of affairs had caused him surprise.

For what do you think was the first thing he learned?
Why all the bad children to good ones had turned;
Gone all the ill tempers and cross, angry looks,
Devoted each child to his work and his books,

And he groaned as he said, "I plainly can see
On this Christmas Eve there's no shirking for me.
Not one naughty child in the whole merry flock,
'Tis plain I must work until five by the clock."

"But, my dear," said his wife, "you ought to be glad
That at last there's not left a child who is bad."
Said the saint, with a smile and a look that was queer,
"They ought to expect me each day in the year."

Life is for work, not toil alone with hands;
For he is rich who works with love—'tis he who understands.

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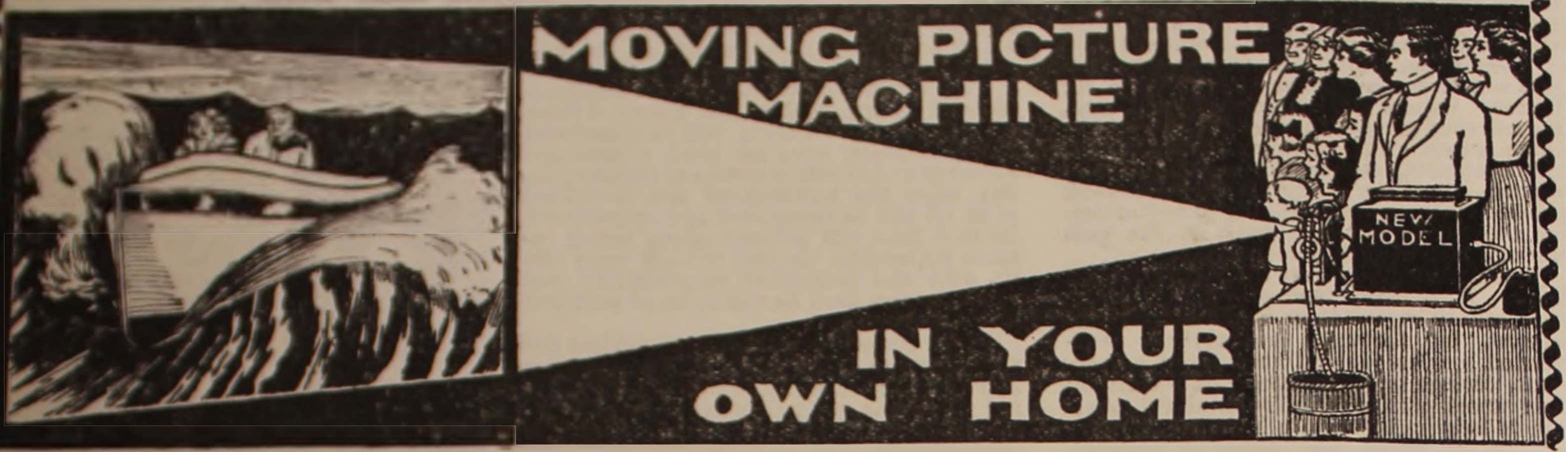

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Every night you may have a grand entertainment in your own home. You may entertain your folks and all your friends. Mother, father, grandparents and all are delighted with the animals and automobiles and boats and engines that flash before you. See the soldiers marching and fighting, see the great battleships in action, see the big bombs from the huge guns ploughing up the sea, see the huge ships struck and sink before your very eyes. It is grand to have a moving picture machine in your home!

Trains go 60 miles an hour before your very eyes. Great powerful engines with their long string of Pullmans flash by you like giant phantoms, leaving clouds of smoke and dust behind. You can almost hear the roar of the wheels as the steel monsters dash by.

You will laugh until your sides split watching the comic scenes.

Thousands of people talking and laughing, their arms loaded with Christmas bundles, their eyes bright and flashing, move by on New York's brilliant Broadway.

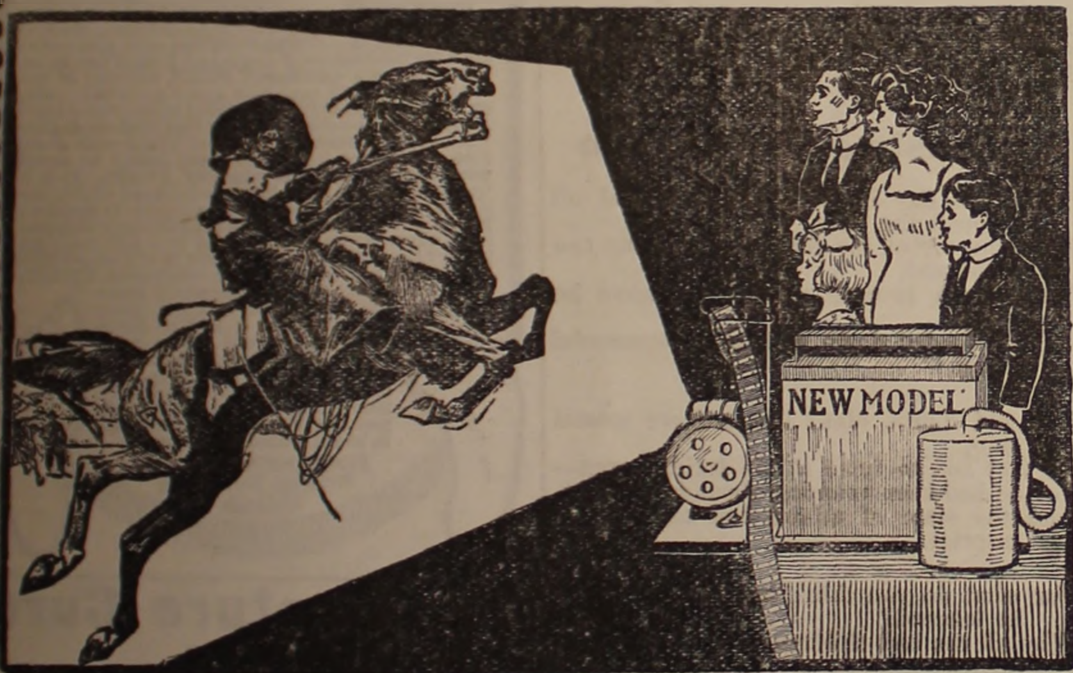
Two great baseball teams, the brilliant champions, fight to the last in a bitter game before great crowds. Horses dash over the road with thundering hoofs Air ships sailing like great birds in the sky whirl along with the speed of the wind, a thousand feet above the earth.

All of these and many other things are on the marvelous films which we send with this great moving picture machine. These films are made on the same principle as the films used in the great kinodromes costing hundreds of dollars.

The pictures are taken one after the other, about 1-100 of a second apart as the object is passing and thus its every action is brought out clearly in the picture. Get this great machine. Get these moving pictures. Have more fun than you ever had before. Make lots of money. Sign the coupon.

Then the entertainments you can give! You can charge admission and many people will flock to see such good shows. Read here in the left hand column of the great shows the boys gave. Read how they collected lots of money. Read how one boy after getting his machine free sold it for $19.00. Read how another boy makes $25.00 a week and as high as $16.00 in one night. Boys, you will always regret it if you don't earn this great moving picture machine now—when you can get it free—get it for nothing. Read where it says: "How you can get this great moving picture machine free."

50,000 Boys Made Happy



A MOVING PICTURE MACHINE IS A GREATER INVENTION THAN THE PHONOGRAPH

Made $12.00 in One Night

Received your Moving Picture Machine, and am well pleased with it. My chum, Tom Neal, and I together, made $12.00 in one night. Every boy in the United States ought to have a Moving Picture Machine in his home. There is no end of fun.—T. M. PIERSON, Jr., Welona, Ala.

It Is a Beauty

Dear Sir:—I take pleasure in telling you I have received my machine. It is a beauty. English language is too weak to describe it. It is a beauty and is well worth the work required by you to do for it. It is a beauty and many thanks for it.—CLARENCE A. WHITTEN, Amherst, Va.

How You Can Get This Great Moving Picture Machine: Read

MY WONDERFUL OFFER HERE IS what you are to do in order to get this amazing moving picture machine and the real moving pictures: Send me your name and address on the free coupon—that is all. Write your name and address very plainly. Mail this to me to-day. As soon as I receive it I will mail you 16 of the most beautiful premium pictures you ever saw—all brilliant and shimmering colors. There are fourteen different colors in the pictures, all wrought together in the most splendid manner. I want you to distribute these premium pictures on a special 25-cent offer among the people you know. They cannot get these pictures at the art stores at any price. When you have distributed the 16 premium pictures on my liberal offer you will have collected $4.00. Send the $4.00 to me and I will immediately send you FREE the moving picture machine outfit and the box of film, all complete, FREE.

As above stated, 50,000 of these machines have made 50,000 boys happy. Answer at once and be the first in your town to get one.

Address, F. GRANT, Sec'y, 649 W. 43d St., Dept. 490 New York City

Description of This New 1912 Model Moving Picture Machine

This machine is made of Russian metal, black Japan, eight wheel mechanism, which drives the moving pictures; excelsior diaphragm lens, triple polished; standard double extra reflector, throwing ray of light 20 feet, enlarging the picture up to three or four feet in diameter; lamp is fitted with a great safety carbide generator, and produces the highest light power. Has far greater light power than the ordinary electric light, producing 500 candle power on the screen and bringing out every detail of the picture with pronounced distinctness. With the outfit we send full instructions, telling how to operate this marvelous machine. Any child can learn in five minutes how to run this really wonderful machine.

Make Money

Boy Gets $19 for His Free Machine

Read this story told by Theodore Serf, of Anna, Ill., one of the bright boys who earned a moving picture machine and then sold it for a large sum of money. He now wants to secure another wonderful moving picture machine free.

"I gave my friends an entertainment with my Moving Picture Machine one night, and they were well pleased. One of them fell in love with the machine and asked me to sell it to him. I told him he could have the machine for $20.00. He said he would give $18.00. So I told him if he would split the difference he could have it. So he gave me $19.00 for the machine and I sold it. I am so lonesome without my machine I would like very much to get another."—THEO. SERF, Anna, Ill.

Made $25.00 a Week

"I am making $25.00 a week and more for myself with the Moving Picture Machine, and some nights $15.00 and $16.00. Thank you kindly for the machine."—J. W. SMITH, Jr., 235 Sycamore St., Memphis, Tenn.

FREE COUPON

GOOD FOR MOVING PICTURE MACHINE OFFER

P. GRANT, Secy., 649 West 43d Street, Dept. 490 New York

Please send me the 16 Premium Pictures so that I may earn the Great Moving Picture Machine and Outfit. Yours truly.

Name ______________________

Street ______________________

City and State ______________________

The Persian Rose Jar

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which has been in their family for over a thousand years, bestowed on the Rajah of Nazwalpore by the ancient priests of a temple; it possesses some mysterious power, but the Rajah declines to state what it is."

"Of course," inquired Dick, anxiously, "it will never be found?"

"I can do no more than I have already done toward finding it," rejoined the solicitor. "I am now merely watching the case, but," he added, with a smile, "the Rajah will find it safe enough."

Dick nearly jumped out of his chair. It was some seconds before he had recovered sufficient composure to reply.

"How is that possible after all these years?" he asked, somewhat jerkily.

"You do not know the Rajah," replied the solicitor, "he is a very clever man—quite one of the cleverest men I have ever met; nothing will turn him from his purpose."

Dick wiped the gathering perspiration from his forehead.

"Suppose the present owner declined to part with it?" he asked.

"The Rajah would buy him out," retorted the solicitor.

"If he declined to sell?"

"The Rajah would steal it."

After a little further conversation the solicitor rose to go, and Dick was left alone, ruminating uncomfortably.

III

The days passed in Dick Trent's peaceful country home, and nothing happened to cause him any further uneasiness.

He grew inclined to laugh at his former fears, and every afternoon and evening found him writing after inhaling the rose leaves in the jar placed by his side.

His book was now half finished, and a rapturous letter to Madge, which had to be smuggled to her room by a friendly servant announced this fact triumphantly.

One summer evening Dick put away his manuscript for the day; it was about six o'clock, the time of day Dick loved the best.

Dick sat in a kind of dreamland, watching the great golden sun turn to bars of brightest red between the fir trees at the end of his lawn, turning their trunks into vivid blue columns, and by the time the night had laid down its last purple shadow over the lawn and the summer twilight had deepened to night, Dick was asleep before his half-opened window. He would not have slept so peacefully if he could have seen a dusky shadow moving across the lawn from between the trees, advancing so stealthily that it could hardly be distinguished from those other shadows that the night had left, but which did no harm. The shadow crept closer to the open window, with a footfall that might have been velvet, soft as the padded paw of an animal.

Closer it came, until a dark face was pressed to the outside of the window pane, and two eyes like stars took in every detail of the room, and fell with a flash upon the rose jar standing on the table within reach of Dick's hand.

Thin, but sinuous, brown fingers slid round the casement, opening it enough to admit the figure that almost seemed to dissolve into the room, so subtle was the movement; a hand closed upon the rose jar and was about to lift it from the table when Dick awoke, with the presentiment that another presence was in the room.

With one pounce he seized the dusky hand across the table with a grip of iron, a grip he had been celebrated for at his university

In vain the stranger wriggled; Dick's grasp was a vise of steel.

With his other hand he turned on the little button of his electric box lamp on the table. Its sudden illumination showed a curious picture; the two men stood facing each other panting with excitement, with set faces, and the eyes of the Indian glowed like hot coals.

For some seconds they looked into one another's faces without speaking a word, and Dick knew he would have to reckon with a formidable antagonist. Something in the other man's bearing told him he was in the presence of the Rajah of Nazwalpore.

With sudden determination Dick thrust the Indian's hand away, and drew the jar nearer to him.

"I will fight you for it," hissed Dick; "you hear, we will fight for it, here in this room."

"We will fight for it," and the Rajah spoke in his deep voice and curious accent for the first time, "but yet we shall not use any weapon that you know of."

With a feeling of fascination, not unmixed with fear, Dick watched the Rajah touch the rose in the right lion's forehead upon the jar, the lid flew open, the Rajah unfolded the little piece of faded parchment, and took two rose leaves in his hand.

The Rajah pointed to the second sentence, one Dick had not hitherto understood

"Eat if your soul would travel into far lands," and, as the Rajah read it, he raised his hand and pointed out into the night, toward where his Eastern home was situated.

"To what purpose?" Dick asked, between his clenched teeth.

The Rajah read the face of the man before him like an open book, and made up his mind immediately.

"To this end," he answered, "after what we shall see to-night, you will give me my property of your own free will."

"And if I refuse after what we shall see?" demanded Dick. This interesting story concluded in January MAGAZINE OF MYSTERIES

YOUR BEST
Christmas Gift

MY PRESENT TO YOU
Health! Plumpness! Ability!

The very best present in the whole wide world for you. One to make you a Happy Christmas and all the following days happy also.

I've talked to you before in this Magazine, so we ought to know each other by this time.

You know what my mission is. To **BUILD UP** men and women. And I **CAN** and I DO for I have the real remedy **as thousands gladly testify to.**

I give you the positive, tonic, constructive essences—the body-building materials, just exactly what the run-down system needs. These grand fattening, strengthening, nerve-restoratives are extracted from special food principles. They are then scientifically combined and so highly condensed that a teaspoonful contains a wonderful quantity of just exactly what your weakened nerves and system crave, precisely what you now suffer for lack of.

Now you know, so profit by it. Stop neglecting yourself. Quit slighting that run-down condition. Let me **FEED** those starving nerve-cells of yours and **NOURISH** your tissues and **TONE** up your stomach. Start on the right road to Plumpness, Health and Improved Appearance. The sooner the better for you in every way.

Remember that better health means **BETTER LOOKS.** Yes, indeed, hollows rounded out, wrinkles removed, complexion cleared, eyes brightened. And abilities, pleasures and happiness all increased as well. Look at the pictures of the man and woman herewith. They show the difference that health and flesh make and you will admit that I am right.

You tried drugs and medicines lots of times; until you became disgusted, discouraged and suspicious. Very well, but frankly, would you expect to build a house with drugs? Might just as well expect to build up your system with drugs. The right materials are necessary. Active, tonic, **BUILDING** properties. And they **ARE** in Kada-Yaga. I put them there for I know just exactly what is required and **WHAT WILL DO THE WORK.**

It was no chance nor guess, but the fruits of years of scientific resarch, chemical tests, experiments and **KNOWLEDGE. And proofs of my complete success come by the thousand.** Men and women write me the most grateful letters you ever saw, because Kada-Yaga **"made good."** Yes, after their old drugging and dosing failed to **help,** they took Kada-Yaga and put on flesh, grew strong, able, happy and better-looking. Why not? For Kada-Yaga is the real, true remedy—the supply of substances required—Nature's own sure way of building, which is the **ONLY** way.

Kada-Yaga has become world-famous **THROUGH ITS REMARKABLE MERITS.** Kada-Yaga **IS** success. Because of right materials, because these are so highly concentrated, because they are so perfectly combined. Every grain of Kada-Yaga is a store of condensed energy and nourishment.

To show you what users of Kada-Yaga say—from actual, personal, delightful experience, I'll quote from a few letters received. For I want **YOU** to know my Drugless Wonder, why it is so successful, what it has done for others and what it **CAN DO FOR YOU.**

Before

After

Charles J. Miller writes: "Have gained 14 lbs." James T. Duke's letter says: "Since taking Kada-Yaga treatment I have gained 21 lbs." From cold Alaska, an order came from M. H. Greep, who says in his letter: "Mr. Peter Fisher of this place having used your nutritive with remarkable results, having gained thirty pounds in weight, advised me to try it as I am considerably below normal weight." Then, Isaac Temple writes: "I have been taking Kada-Yaga and it has great effect on me. I am fleshy enough now. I feel better and look better than I have in a long time. It is a great flesh builder. Everyone says I look ten years younger." Mrs. M. E. Bailey writes: "Since taking the sample and one box, I have gained 6¼ pounds. I feel better than I ever felt before."

I KNOW WHAT YOU NEED. Yes, just exactly what your system is craving for. So let me build you up, create new, firm flesh.

I guarantee Kada-Yaga. No drugs in it, nothing that can injure the most delicate. Just the opposite. Everything to tone up your digestion, strengthen your heart, and other vital organs, soothe and establish your nervous system and promote new, wholesome flesh. It is an invigorating combination of tonic nourishment, so safe and reliable that even a sick baby can take it with wonderful advantage. **In fact it is astonishing how Kada-Yaga makes puny, sickly children BLOOM RIGHT UP.**

WHAT YOU SHOULD WEIGH

This table shows the weight of healthy, well-formed persons of various heights. These weights do not include clothing, which would be about 6-8 pounds more.

Height	Man	Woman
5 ft.	140	120
5 ft. 1 in.	142	126
5 ft. 2 in.	144	131
5 ft. 3 in.	148	137
5 ft. 4 in.	152	142
5 ft. 5 in.	157	147
5 ft. 6 in.	162	152
5 ft. 7 in.	169	154
5 ft. 8 in.	176	157
5 ft. 9 in.	180	163
5 ft. 10 in.	187	168
5 ft. 11 in.	192	173
6 ft.	197	180
6 ft. 1 in.	205	186

The choicest materials to build firm, healthy flesh, bring plumpness, good health and good looks. Desirable qualities for man or woman.

Now I have some questions for you to consider.

How much weight would you like to gain? Do you enjoy your meals as you should? Does your stomach trouble you at times? How much do you suffer from constipation? What part of your body feels the cold most?

Here's Kada-Yaga, the King of Nourishment for you. The very best time of the year for you to take it too. Become one of my large and happy Kada-Yaga family. You're on the right track this time. You can get the Drugless Wonder which contains the fattening qualities. Let me send you the great body-builder. Only be prompt. I say this in your interest on the principle that **a stitch in time saves nine.** Flesh protects you in winter, vigor and vitality keep you warm and free from winter ailments—your system demands and Kada-Yaga supplies.

Kada-Yaga costs but three cents a day. That's by taking it three times daily as I want you to. Better send for a dollar box. I'll pay the postage or express. Or if you still have any lingering doubts, send 10 cents for a six days' trial box. That does not repay me, you understand, but I am determined that you shall try Kada-Yaga and **SATISFY YOURSELF.** You will very soon **SEE** and **FEEL** the good results. Your mirror and the scales soon tell people of their improvement—gaining splendidly and looking better as well as feeling better. **That's a Christmas present worth getting, isn't it?**

Now here's your coupon if you want a six days' trial box. Fill it out and send it with ten cents. Let's start the good work to-day

THE HEALTH COUNSELOR
Kada-Yaga Co., 647 West Forty-Third Street
NEW YORK, U. S. A.

Coupon for Box of Kada-Yaga--Six Days' Supply

This coupon, with 10 cents to help defray distribution expenses, is good for one box containing six days' supply of Kada-Yaga, the Drugless Wonder Body Builder.

KADA-YAGA CO., 647 W. 43d St., Dept. 146, NEW YORK, U. S. A.
Patrons in Great Britain must send five pence.

Were You Born in December?

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companions and associates along right lines. This is a fine characteristic and should always be encouraged. Your child may have a tendency toward obstinacy, but you should endeavor to reason with him or her and thus eliminate this trend. Your child will have many firm and wealthy friends who will be of great benefit and assistance. You should take unusual care of the health of a Capricorn child, as their nervous systems become very easily upset and many colds are liable to bring about rheumatic conditions. Your child will have a strong inclination to stick to old and familiar things and be rather conservative and oppose anything new or unusual. You should try to correct this feeling altogether. Your child has a remarkable disposition and one which will doubtless lead to a great future with proper training. The seventh, fifteenth, twenty-second and a quarter and twenty-ninth and a half and thirty-seventh years will doubtless be most important ones for your child, many opportunities presenting themselves and unusual changes occurring. The most fortunate will be the tenth, twentieth and thirtieth years.

This Reading could be made much more detailed and accurate should the birthdate of a particular child be taken into consideration, but, of course, that is impossible in a general Reading.

Some of the greatest men have been born under this sign, men who have become very famous, especially for their shrewdness, wisdom and power to direct great enterprises. Furthermore, the majority of these men had few or no opportunities or advantages in early life, but rose to their high station through their own efforts, practically unassisted. One such man became really a king, although not so in name. This was the great Pope Alexander VI. W. E. Gladstone, Premier of Great Britain for many years, was the man who made the late Queen Victoria Empress of India, was also born under the sign Capricorn. With these illustrious examples of what the native of Capricorn can accomplish, there is no reason why the child of Capricorn should look forward to other than a great and famous future if he or she uses their numerous talents to the very best advantage.

DEAR SON OF CAPRICORN:

THIS sign is the night house of the planet Saturn, the most powerful of the planets, and is on that account considered fortunate in many ways. Your mind has been remarkable for its acuteness and penetration, and especially so in regard to business matters. This penetration makes you very quick to see the gist of a proposition and whether it is advantageous to you or not, and if you had followed your first impressions on any subject you would have found them usually correct. But for various reasons, one of which is that you like to be certain before going ahead, you sometimes hesitate at the wrong time and this is probably rather to your disadvantage at times. On the other hand, you have been very impulsive, and whenever you have done things on the impulse of the moment you have felt, many times, that you were going against your better judgment. Your judgment has usually been good, especially in money matters, but you ought not to let your anxiety to acquire material things influence you toward acts which might not be to your best interest in the long run. You can be suave and diplomatic, but your quickness of temper has frequently made you trouble and sometimes enemies. And you should guard yourself against this for your own welfare, as you have been led

A PRIZE FOR YOU!

A Certificate entitling you to be entered in our Great Five Thousand Dollar ($5,000.00) Prize Contest will be given you free if you answer this advertisement in good faith. Write to-day.

Wouldn't you like to win a Prize in our $5,000.00 **Prize** Contest, also a **PRIZE** of these handsome, elegant, attractive set of dishes? Of course you would. The set consists of 42 pieces embellished **with YOUR INITIAL IN GOLD,** making the whole set the pride and joy of every housekeeper fortunate enough to possess it.

You can be entered in the Five Thousand Dollar ($5,000) Prize Contest as well as getting **THIS PRIZE** of a Handsome 42 Piece Dinner Set, **AND IT WON'T COST YOU A CENT TO GET IT.** We are giving these dishes away **FREE** and this advertisement tells you exactly how you can obtain them without money and without price. Think how nice to have this dinner set in your china closet! Think how *proud* you can feel to have them on your table when company comes!

SPLENDID PRIZE! THIS 42-PIECE, GOLD MONOGRAM DINNER SET CAN BE YOURS IF YOU ACT UPON THIS OFFER PROMPTLY.

This set is just as shown in the illustration. This daintily decorated, embellished, gold initial dinner set, elaborately decorated with wild roses with green leaves and foliage, ***every piece trimmed with coin gold,*** the next thing to Haviland china, which is owned by multi-millionaires, equal to a set costing many dollars in your local stores—this **PRIZE PREMIUM** is **YOURS** for a little of your leisure time. Your initial in *gold* is put on as shown above. This dinner set will be the pride of your home and you can **WIN** it without going outside of your house to do it.

You can easily win these valuable prizes. One lady writes: "I am very much pleased with my prize set. It is very much better than I ever expected to get. Any one can see for themselves by looking at the set I received that there are no cheap articles put out by you."

Another lady writes: "Received prize set O. K. Am very much pleased with it. It is much nicer than I thought it would be. I thank you very much. I am going to earn another set."

BY MY PLAN YOU MAY WIN IN THE FIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR PRIZE CONTEST —ALSO GET THE BEAUTIFUL SET OF DISHES JUST LIKE OTHER LADIES DID.

HOW TO GET THESE PRIZES

Here is what you are to do in order to get both this Certificate entitling you to be entered in the $5,000.00 Prize Contest and the 42-Piece **GOLD INITIAL DINNER SET.** Send your name and address on the free coupon—that is all. Write your name very plainly. Mail this to me today. As soon as I receive it I will mail you your Certificate entitling you to be entered in the $5,000 Prize Contest, also will mail 24 of the most beautiful premium pictures you ever saw—all brilliant and shimmering colors. There are 14 different colors in the pictures, all wrought together in the most splendid manner. I want you to distribute these premium pictures on a special 25 cent offer among the people you know. They cannot get these pictures at the art stores at any price. When you have distributed the 24 premium pictures on my liberal offer you have collected $6.00. Send the $6.00 to me and I will immediately send you this magnificent 42-Piece Gold Initial Dinner Set. **UNDERSTAND—YOU GET YOUR CERTIFICATE IMMEDIATELY—JUST THE MINUTE I RECEIVE THE COUPON—DON'T DELAY—MAIL IT TODAY.**

Just fill in carefully the coupon below and send it to me, and I will take pleasure in writing you just what to do. I have such a *splendid, liberal* proposition to make to you that I know you will be delighted to have a chance to win a Big Prize and get an elegant, beautifully decorated **42-PIECE GOLD MONOGRAM DINNER SET,** when you see how easily it can be done.

BEAR IN MIND that as soon as we get the coupon we send you your certificate in the **BIG $5,000.00** Contest. This is your opportunity. **GRASP IT** and mail the coupon today. Everything will be sent you absolutely free. Don't delay. Write at once. Address

M. E. WILLIAMS, Sec'y, 627 West 43d Street, Dept. 492 NEW YORK CITY

Free Coupon ☞

Good for certificate entitling me to be entered in the $5,000 Prize Contest and the 42-piece Gold Initial Dinner Set Offer.

M. E. WILLIAMS, Sec'y
627 W. 43d St., Dept. 492, New York City

Please send me my Certificate entitling me to be entered in the $5,000.00 Prize Contest; also 24 Premium Pictures, so that I may earn the 42-Piece Dinner Set with my own initial in Gold put on them.

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CITY AND STATE. . . . .

to do things which were not discreet through this means. Always keep well informed of the progress of the world and keep your mind open, broad and tolerant, respecting the opinions of others, even if you don't believe in them. Always put your whole soul, heart and energy into everything you undertake, no matter if the undertaking is a small one. I know your nature is to do large and great things, and that is all right, but ever remember if you do the smallest thing in the world successfully it will put you in a position to do something better and greater. Your quality of receptiveness is strong and anything connected with your domestic circle is a matter of solicitude with you, and you frequently are looked up to by the other members of the home as their leader and the standard by which they gauge their actions. You ought to bear this in mind and be a faithful guide and mentor to them. The best points in your character are easily touched by anything referring to your home, and its occupants, and you will protect and defend them in the face of all opposition. Did you not have trouble in this respect once? Your loyalty in respect to your family circle has no doubt brought considerable worry to you, as you have probably found many who were willing to impose on you through this quality and who have sought favors which they could have obtained by no other means from you. You have been fond of good things in life, but your judgment has been such that in this respect you have been usually careful not to do things which might hurt your prospects, but I fear you have not always been as cautious regarding your health. You have the typical Capricorn tendency toward good business qualities and are usually devoted to your affairs, but you ought not to become so wrapped up in them as to exclude all else. You consider your words well before uttering them, but somehow or other you have not always conveyed just the impression you wanted to, to your hearers. This has sometimes led others to think you were unfriendly to them, as they took the wrong sense from what you said, but you could easily have overcome this and other tendencies similar by cultivating attention toward the viewpoint of others. Do not allow yourself to become too narrow, and endeavor to broaden your mind, by reading, and the company of educated people. You are very ambitious and desire to be in the front rank of any affairs in which you are interested. This is well, and you should make a capable leader, but you ought to cultivate persistency and not change your views too often. You can argue well and to the point, but you should use a little diplomacy and tact, at times, and not drive home the point of your arguments too sharply, as you can be bitter and sarcastic and may hurt the feelings of others, although you might be innocent of any such intention. In ordinary conversation you can be very witty and entertaining, and you could make yourself very popular by the cultivation of this characteristic, especially with the opposite sex. It naturally follows from this talent that many great actors are born under this sign, and also bankers, politicians, artists and statesmen. Natives of your sign usually have a keen sense of color and are good art critics and appreciate works of art and music. This talent you could cultivate to good advantage. I think I have indicated in the foregoing the suitable professions or callings for you, but I might add that any, calling into play your astuteness, penetration and judgment would have proven fortunate for you. In reference to your health, I would say you should be careful not to get wet, as such might bring about rheumatic conditions, especially in the knees and joints, and you ought to look well to your diet to keep the nervous system and blood in good condition and to avoid irritating or upsetting the stomach, and so, the head. You should avoid the use of all forms of alcohol. The selection of a wife should be an important question to you, as a suitable one would doubtless have a favorable influence on your future. The right sort of life partner would be one who had the Moon in her Horoscope in certain aspects to the Sun in yours. Your birth stones are the yellow amethyst and sapphire, and the colors of your sign are black and gray. Your fortunate day in each week is Saturday.

Psychic Phenomena

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and called out. There was no answer. I went down to the door. No one was there, but the hammering kept right on, till finally I said, 'hammer all you want to,' and went back to bed.

"There is a rosebush in the front yard at the right side of the door. Frequently when passing this rosebush at night I used to feel a cold chill seize me. It was most unmistakable and none too pleasant, but I did not think much about it, nor did I mention it to anyone until one or two of my relatives spoke of exactly the same sensations when passing that rosebush.

"We were not particularly disturbed by these manifestations nor frightened in any way and look upon them as commonplace events, but proving that there are spirits and spirit manifestations.

"I wondered once whether anyone else who had lived in the house had seen or heard anything out of the ordinary. So I asked one of the previous tenants, and he was at first disposed to deny anything of the kind. But when he found that I had good reasons for asking he stated that soon after his moving into the house his daughter began to speak of noises and apparitions. He made fun of her, and so did the rest of the family, but very soon they all heard that rocking upstairs and the rest of the phenomena."

Vision with a Meaning

One night last winter after I had retired I seemed to be going somewhere, and it was all dark around me. Very soon I came to a beautiful stairs all in radiant light, and coming down the stairs was an angel of light whom I thought was a cousin that had gone to the spirit world quite a while ago. This girl looked so clean and pure, and out from this stairway there seemed to be a lane that was dark and lonely. I saw a young man coming down it, and as he came nearer I saw that he looked unhappy and that his clothing did not seem nice and clean. This young man came up to us, but did not talk, and after a few moments he said he could not stay any longer, but must go.

I thought I waited until he got out of sight, and then I asked the young girl if he was not happy and she said "No, that he hadn't lived right when he was on earth."

Mrs. M. S.

"He Is Risen"

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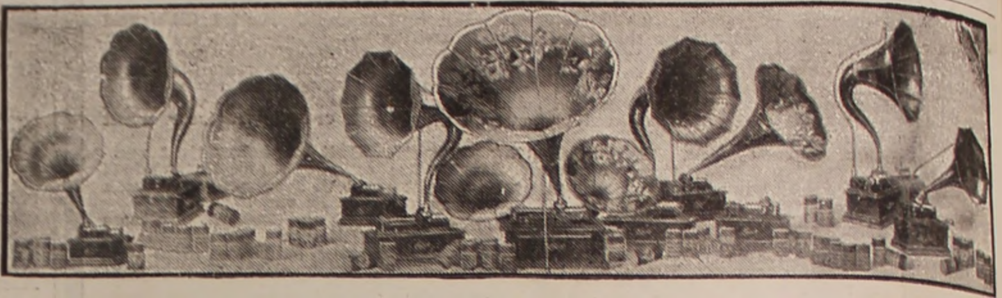
present joy and solace and my hope for future years; back through memories vistas, through his school days and wayward youth, so full of tender thoughtfulness for me. My wishes were commands to him. He was so kind of heart. No suffering went unnoticed by him. The smallest mishap of a little child, an old person in distress. The most helpless animal that needed attention had his. His life was spent, it seemed to me, in fetching and carrying for others. I liked to remember these things for some way it seemed to me these deeds of kindness could not be lost and that he had laid up for himself treasures in heaven.

My thoughts had gathered home. I was praying that here on this Christmas evening, sitting alone struggling with unbelief, praying that some sign be given me that when the human soul was released from the body it lived again. The form which I had so loved and leaned upon was lying in the grave in the valley. The winter snows were lying deep upon it. The loving heart was stilled in death, but the soul, the spirit, the bright intellect, surely they could not die. The words of the beautiful hymn, "Is any one then at the beautiful gate waiting and watching for me?" were passing through my mind. As if in answer to my question, over the stillness of the room came a strain of softest music, a minor chord, then it grew and grew as if other musicians took up the strain. The room was full of melody. Such music I had never heard. It breathed peace to my weary soul. Then through the room came the fragrance of flowers, delicate as that of the violet and arbutus, the wild rose and blended with the odor of the pines. I was bathed in fragrance. I arose as if in a sweet dream and crossed the room to the piano and sat down. Every key was silent, but the music swelled and grew in volume till it seemed to me it blended with that of highest heaven. The keys seemed to be moving automatically. I went to my son's desk and sat in his chair. Then I felt the soft touch of invisible fingers smoothing my hair, oh, so softly, my hair, my face. I felt the presence of invisible beings all about me. The room was glorified by the presence of angels. Still automatically I took up my son's pen and my hand commenced to write, illegibly at first, but soon there was written on the white sheet before me my son's name, a pet name which I had been wont to call him. It was in his writing. Then it went on: "Mother Darling: It is the dearest wish of my heart that you will not grieve for me. You think my life was ended and you picture to yourself what might have been. Do cease, I pray, all this. My life has just begun. Do you wish me to be a statesman? I am learning statesmanship. I have the high privilege of meeting the grandest statesmen, not only of American history but of all the world.

"Do you wish me to be an orator? There is a school of oratory. Would you wish me to be an artist? The greatest of painters are here.

"There is no law school. We do not transgress here. There is no strife for human rights. We have our choice of vocation. I chose to take up my life work where I left off. I am doing the work of my Master, leading souls who come to us in darkness to the light. It is just the old old story of Jesus' love." Then it seemed that myriads of angels took up the refrain and the music, low, sweet music, softer and sweeter than ever before, lulled into quietness as I wrote "good night, mother dear, kiss good night."

Mrs. Annie Foss.



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